

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
—Budget Estimates Hearing—May 2015**

Answers to Questions on Notice

Parliamentary departments, Department of Parliamentary Services

Topic: **Access to Ministerial carpark**

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CHAIR: Can I just go back to the former members, for example: do they have access to all the car parks or just the one that they represented?

Mr Skill: It does not differentiate, so it could be either the House of Reps or the Senate.

CHAIR: For example, once again, a senator's pass does differentiate—is that correct?

Ms Noordeloos: The actual access does not differentiate for senators and members. Where they park differentiates, but their actual access at this stage does not differentiate. To understand the system in the way it breaks down, we put them into zoned areas, so for members and senators, they are zoned different car park responses so we give you car park access that way.

CHAIR: I come back to: we could not go into the ministerial car park?

Ms Noordeloos: You probably could have access based on your level of access within the building. I would need to check that to make sure; I certainly will.

CHAIR: It is the only way I am going to get into that part of the building!

Senator LUDLAM: It is an opportunity.

Mr Skill: We need to confirm that, because I am not sure that is correct.

Answer

No, senators or members who are not ministers do not have access to the ministerial wing car park.