

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES 2014-15**

**Finance Portfolio**

**Department/Agency:** Department of Finance

**Outcome/Program:** 3/3.1

**Topic:** Ministerial Staff Vehicles

**Senator:** Ludwig

**Question reference number:** F26

**Type of question:** Written

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**Question:**

Since Budget Estimates in May 2014, could the SMOS please answer the following questions on behalf of all Ministers:

Have any Minister's staff been provided with a motor vehicle under the MoPS Act entitlements? If so:

1. What is the make and model?
2. How much did it cost?
3. When was it provided?
4. Was the entire cost met by the department? If not, how was the cost met?
5. What, if any, have been the ongoing costs associated with this motor vehicle? Please include costs such as maintenance and fuel.
6. Are these costs met by the department? If not, how are these costs met?
7. Please provide a copy of the guidelines that determine this entitlement to a motor vehicle.
8. Have these guidelines changed during the specified period? If so, please detail.
9. Please provide a copy of the guidelines that determine how a motor vehicle is to be used that they have been provided with. Please include details such as whether the motor vehicle can be used for personal uses.
10. Have these guidelines changed during the specified period? If so, please detail.

**Answer:**

1. – 6. Refer to Attachment A.
7. The relevant guideline, *Private-Plated Vehicles*, can be found at:  
[http://www.maps.finance.gov.au/enterprise\\_agreement/Guidelines/Private-Plated\\_Vehicles.html](http://www.maps.finance.gov.au/enterprise_agreement/Guidelines/Private-Plated_Vehicles.html).
8. No.
9. See response to question 7.
10. No.

**Attachment A**  
**Part 1-6: F26**

<b>Office</b>	<b>Make</b>	<b>Model</b>	<b>Current monthly lease cost (excl GST) *</b>	<b>Date provided to staff member</b>	<b>Costs met by Dept?</b>	<b>Other ongoing costs from 28 May to 31 October 2014 **</b>	<b>Costs met by Dept?</b>
Joyce	Ford	Territory	\$1098.78	18/7/14	Yes	\$1147.86	Yes

\* Includes maintenance

\*\* Includes fuel. Note – these costs are paid in arrears, invoices for these expenses may not have been received and paid before 31 October in respect of all vehicles.