

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS  
ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S PORTFOLIO

**Program: Portfolio**

**Question No. AE16/133**

**Senator Ludwig asked the following question at the hearing on 9 February 2016:**

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

1. Has the minister been provided with or had access to a motor vehicle? 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 if a minister is entitled to a motor vehicle.
  8. Have these guidelines changed during the specified period of time? If so, please detail.
  9. Please provide a copy of the guidelines that determine how a minister is to use a motor vehicle 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 of time? If so, please detail.

**The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:**

1. Yes, the Minister for Justice is provided with a motor vehicle by the Attorney-General's Department and details for the vehicle are as follows:
  1. Holden VF Calais
  2. Total monthly costs are approximately \$1,116
  3. 22 September 2015
  4. Yes, the costs are met by the Attorney-General's Department
  5. Total monthly costs are approximately \$1,116
  6. Yes, the costs are met by the Attorney-General's Department
  - 7-10. This is a matter for the Department of Finance

The Attorney-General is not provided with a motor vehicle by the Attorney-General's Department.