

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

**Group: 1**

**Program: Whole-of-Portfolio**

**Question No. SBE14/085**

**Senator Ludwig asked the following written question from the 20 November and 11 December 2014 hearings.**

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014:

1. Outside of MoPS Act entitlements, have any of the Minister's staff been provided with a motor vehicle? If so:
  - a) What is the make and model?
  - b) How much did it cost?
  - c) When was it provided?
  - d) Was the entire cost met by the department? If not, how was the cost met?
  - e) What, if any, have been the ongoing costs associated with this motor vehicle? Please include costs such as maintenance and fuel.
  - f) Are these costs met by the department? If not, how are these costs met?
  - g) Please provide a copy of the guidelines that determine this entitlement to a motor vehicle.
  - h) Have these guidelines changed during the specified period? If so, please detail.
  - i) 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.
  - j) Have these guidelines changed during the specified period? If so, please detail.

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

The Attorney-General's Department does not provide any vehicles to ministerial staff.

The provision of vehicles to ministers and their staff under the *Members of Parliament (Staff) Act 1984* is a matter for the Department of Finance.