

SENATE LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL LEGISLATION COMMITTEE  
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**Question No. 148**

**Senator Ludwig asked the following question at the hearing on 31 October 2005:**

How will the handheld biometric devices operate?

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

The biometric handheld devices have two operating modes: they can be used as a handheld device and work in stand-alone mode or they can be connected to the central AFIS capability to enable searches against a larger biometric dataset.