

OFFICE OF MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT — ALLEGED TAXI FARE EVASION

232. Hon KEN TRAVERS to the minister representing the Minister for Transport:

I refer to the investigation into a staffer from the minister's office regarding an alleged evasion of a taxi fare. Has this matter been referred to the Department of Transport; and, if not, why not?

Hon SIMON O'BRIEN replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of this question. In order to investigate a fare evasion, the Department of Transport must receive a complaint from the taxidriver. To date, the taxidriver involved has not lodged a complaint.