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PROCEEDINGS OF THE WESTERN CAPE PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT

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The House met at 14:15

The Deputy Speaker took the Chair and read the prayer.

**BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE**

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Please be seated. Before I see the Minister may I just welcome all the guests on the gallery and remind them that they are not part of the proceedings of the House so please do not cheer, clap or comment from the galleries. Before I see the Minister I will ask the Secretary to read the first Order of the Day.

The SECRETARY: Introduction and First Reading – Western Cape Appropriation Bill [B1 – 2019]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: I see the hon Minister of Finance, Minister Meyer.

HON MEMBERS: Hear-hear! [Applause.]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Mr Deputy Speaker, hon Cabinet colleagues, hon Leader of the Official Opposition, hon leaders of other political parties...

[Interjection.]

Mr Q R DYANTYI: Even your own Premier joins us late. She does not take this [Inaudible.]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Executive mayors and executive deputy mayors, Mayco members of Finance today in the House, chairpersons of municipal finance committees, hon members of the Legislature as well as members of the NCOP, welcome Dr Deon George, members of the consular corps, heads of departments, municipal managers, senior officials of the Western Cape Government, citizens of the Western Cape, special guests, ladies and gentlemen.

Mr Deputy Speaker, this Budget consolidates the work of the Western Cape Government over the last five years. A budget gives expression to the strategy and the policies of the government of the day. A budget is more than just simply numbers; it is a story of change - change that affects people's lives. Behind the Budget are people, real people with real needs and aspirations. The Budget is an instrument to facilitate the journey of change.

While a budget is a technical document it must be informed by both the normative and political dimensions to give effect to a government's mandate.

Our mandate is clear: build an open opportunity society. Central to this mandate is to facilitate choices, give people personal responsibility and reward excellence.

Mr Deputy Speaker, a budget must also rally behind a future reason. Therefore I table in this House today a budget for jobs, a budget for service delivery, a budget for safety, a budget for the youth, a budget for infrastructure, a budget for climate change and a budget for good governance.

Mr D G MITCHELL: Hear-hear! [Applause.] [Interjection.]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Mr Deputy Speaker, we are commenting on the Budget as tabled by Minister Tito Mboweni on 20 February 2019. Nic Spaul of the *Financial Mail* describes the National SONA Budget, he said it is not a SONA Budget but it is an ESKOM Budget.

The state of Eskom is the state of the South African economy. Ten million people are out of work and unemployed. South Africa is in a period of weak economic growth, a revenue shortfall and an increase in national debt. State-owned enterprises, Mr Deputy Speaker, continue to fail because of fraud, corruption and maladministration. State-owned enterprises continue to drain South Africa's resources.

Mr Q R DYANTYI: We are in the Western Cape. You blame Pretoria.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: South Africa experienced disastrous load shedding... [Interjection.]

†Mnr Q R DYANTYI: Kom terug hiernatoe, ons is in die Wes-Kaap - die Wes-Kaap.

[Mr Q R DYANTYI: Come back here, we are in the Western Cape – the Western Cape. ]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: ...in 2014/15... [Interjection.]

Mr Q R DYANTYI: The wrong speech!

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! Order!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: ...with the economic cost estimated nationally at R20 billion for Stage 1 load shedding and R80 billion for Stage 3 load shedding per month. For the Western Cape, this represented between R3 billion and R8 billion per month and slowed down the upward momentum for economic growth.

In response the Western Cape established the Energy Game-Changer in 2015, which main purpose has been to reduce our dependence on Eskom and diversify our energy sources, with a focus on renewable energy.

The PREMIER: Hear-hear!

†'n AGBARE LID: Hoor-hoor!

[An HON MEMBER: Hear-hear!]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Much has been achieved since 2015. The Game-Changer, together with GreenCape, has assisted municipalities and I see many mayors and deputy mayors in the House today, has assisted municipalities to put in place regulatory frameworks that would allow their customers to install rooftop solar PV and receive compensation for extra electricity fed into the municipal grid. In 2015, only two municipalities had this legal framework in place. Today 22 out of the 25 municipalities that distribute electricity have this in place.

Mr D G MITCHELL: Hear-hear!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: The generic Municipal Bylaw and Policy Guidelines developed in the Western Cape are now being used by other municipalities in South Africa to enable regularised rooftop solar PV installations. This is significant. [Interjections.]

The PREMIER: Hear-hear!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Mr Deputy Speaker, the Western Cape has actively promoted the installation of solar PV. From 18 megawatts of installed solar PV in 2015, we now stand at 112 megawatts - an increase of over 600%.

We have also addressed energy efficiency in our own provincial buildings. Since 2015 electricity consumption in our buildings has been reduced by 13% and our consumption is an impressive 38% below the industry benchmark... [Interjection.] ...and yet, once again, we are faced with load shedding. The Western Cape is now more energy-resilient than in 2015, but it would be much more so, had the national regulatory obstacles been cleared away. [Interjections.]

Mr Q R DYANTYI: Just blame the ANC. Blame the ANC. This is an ANC budget.

Mr D JOSEPH: Blame yourself!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: For example, municipalities are currently prevented from purchasing electricity from independent power producers, and their ability to do so have had a substantive material impact on municipalities' energy resilience. [Interjections.]

Mr C M DUGMORE: When is the tax boycott coming?

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: In June 2018... [Interjection.]

Mr C M DUGMORE: It must be part of your speech.

The PREMIER: The ANC [Inaudible.] [Interjections.]

Mr C M DUGMORE: [Inaudible.] Premier, on the taxpayer.

The SPEAKER: Order! [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Mr Deputy Speaker, in June 2018 the Premier wrote to Eskom, highlighting her concern that there was again a significant risk of load shedding, and was assured that Eskom was taking the necessary steps to avoid this.

On 25 February 2019 the Premier convened a special Provincial Coordinating Forum to identify the actions that municipalities could take to mitigate further load shedding that may take place.

Our analysis suggests that in the next five years there is a significant risk of load shedding owing to a deterioration in coal-plant capacity and the planned closure of old coal-fire plants that produce thousands of megawatts. Short, medium and long term options were presented at the PCF.

In the short term, municipalities need to ensure that there is clear, timeous communication on load shedding to customers through their websites, social media, and other methods. Municipalities have done well today in sharing this information effectively. There is also the possibility that municipalities will be able to procure power from independent power producers in the near future. [Interjections.]

Mr Q R DYANTYI: Thanks to the ANC. [Interjections.] Sit down!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: The City of Cape Town initiated legal action on this issue in 2015, and recently urged the High Court to prioritise it on the court roll. [Interjection.]

Mr Q R DYANTYI: You have less than 60 days...

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Municipalities need to prepare themselves for such procurement processes in the meantime. Apart from these measures the Western Cape Government is also actively pursuing the importation of liquefied natural gas, also known as LNG, into the Western Cape through Saldanha Bay. It is finalising a feasibility study, Mr Deputy Speaker, which confirms that there is sufficient demand for natural gas and that the availability of natural gas will contribute significantly to the competitiveness and growth of our industries. In addition, gas-fired power will be needed to balance out the variability of renewable energy in the Western Cape. The Province is cooperating closely with Transnet and national authorities to make LNG importation a reality.

†Mnr die Adjunkspeaker, ingevolge die Geïntegreerde Hulpbronplan vir Elektrisiteit word ook beoog om steenkoolgedrewe kragstasies teen 2050 uit diens te stel. Die Wes-Kaap is dus geregtig en gereed om onself te posisioneer vir die vestiging van hernubare energiebronne, waaronder son en windkrag as primêre energieverskaffers, in die toekoms. Suid-Afrika en die



Wes-Kaap met sy lang kuslyn moet ook windkrag inspan om 'n gebalanseerde energie-aanbod teen 2030 te lewer.

Windturbines verg staal, koper en veselglas in die vervaardigingsproses, waarvan staal bykans 90% uitmaak. Die hulpbronne benodig in die uiteindelijke vervaardiging van turbines bring nuwe areas van werkskepping na vore. Die Wes-Kaap is gereed om in ons provinsie met visie en innovasie weg te beweeg van Eskom se monopolistiese opwekking van elektrisiteit.

*[Translation of Afrikaans paragraphs follow.]*

[Mr Deputy Speaker, in terms of the Integrated Resource Plan for Electricity it is also intended to discontinue coal-driven power stations by 2050. The Western Cape is therefore entitled and ready to position ourselves for the establishment of renewable energy resources in future, among solar and wind power as primary energy suppliers. South Africa and the Western Cape with its long coastline should also utilise wind power to deliver a balanced energy offer by 2030.]

Wind turbines require steel, copper and glass fibre in the manufacturing process, of which almost 90% consists of steel. The resources required in the eventual manufacture of turbines create new areas of employment. The Western Cape is ready to move away from Eskom's monopolistic generating of electricity with vision and innovation.]

†Mnr Q R DYANTYI: In julle drome! In julle drome! [Gelag.]

[Mr Q R DYANTYI: In your dreams! In your dreams! [Laughter.]]

†Die MINISTER VAN FINANSIES: Dit is in hierdie verband verblydend om te sien dat GRI Renewable Industries, 'n Spaanse onderneming, begin het met die vervaardiging van windturbines in Atlantis. Deur skoon energie op te wek kan dus 'n bydrae gelewer word om werk te skep. Ons het die getuienis daarvoor.

*[Translation of Afrikaans paragraph follows.]*

[The MINISTER OF FINANCE: In this regard it is encouraging to see that GRI Renewable Industries, a Spanish enterprise, has started with the manufacture of wind turbines in Atlantis. By generating clean energy a contribution can therefore be made to create jobs. We have the evidence for that.]

Mr Deputy Speaker, the most appealing aspect of building our energy resilience is that it also results in cleaner air and new green jobs, and thereby cements our reputation as the Green Economic Hub for Africa.

Let me now turn to the fiscal risks. The national fiscal risks remain a matter of serious concern and need to be addressed as it hovers threateningly over the Western Cape economy.

The South African economic landscape requires structural reform to deal with the fiscal crisis in South Africa. This Government has assessed these risks and presents the following options to address the national risks.

[Interjections.]

The PREMIER: Stop stealing our money! [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Firstly, we need to substantively reduce the Budget deficit:

- The Budget deficit can be narrowed through the increasing of revenue collected by the Government or by reducing expenditure;
- Reducing Government expenditure but be alert to emerging risks and long-term pressures on public expenditure, including an ageing population and the rising costs of health and social care;
- Government should live within its means to prevent occurrence of the Budget deficits and an increase in debt to GDP ratios.

Mr Deputy Speaker, we must also limit the debt to GDP:

- Debt repayments divert funding away from expenditure. The National Minister has recently indicated that we are paying R1 billion just on debt in South Africa - R1 billion per day!
- We must lower our debt burdens to reduce interest payments so that Government funds can be used for investment and expenditure on

Government priorities;

- Government debt unfairly burdens future generations.

We must also limit the exposure of Government to loss-making public entities:

- The South African Government currently bails out its loss-making public entities using taxpayers' money;
- Government is in this way effectively subsidising inefficiency and mismanagement.

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: Hear-hear!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Well managed State-owned entities would not require constant bailout packages from the State; Government should consider selling off certain State-owned entities like the South African Airways... [Interjection.]

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: Hear-hear!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: ...which are not strategically important and whose whole sale would be in the public interest. [Applause.] The advantage of this option is that Government receives a capital amount from the sale of the entity, and no longer needs to use taxpayers' money to bail out a failed State-owned entity. [Interjection.]

Mr Deputy Speaker, South Africa needs to maintain macro-economic stability. We must ensure strong financial systems that can withstand economic crises that also foster growth and income. The financial system plays a vital role in supporting sustainable economic growth and meeting the financial needs of citizens and organisations. The financial system should be efficient in allocating resources and should be resilient during times of severe economic shocks.

A strong economy reduces the need for Government intervention and transfer payments and leads to lower expenditure. [Interjection.]

Mr C M DUGMORE: How does the taxpayer not fit into all of this?

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: A stable and diversified economy has less exposure to exchange rate fluctuations.

An HON MEMBER: Stop wasting!

Mr Q R DYANTYI: Oh, is that what the taxpayers [Inaudible.]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Institutional frameworks are needed that will allow monetary and fiscal policy to reduce the ups and downs of the economic cycle in the short term while ensuring sustainability over the long term.

We must also enhance trade relations that would allow local industries access to markets more easily. [Interjection.]

Mr Q R DYANTYI: [Inaudible.] You are struggling. We can see this is not your speech. [Inaudible.]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Mr Deputy Speaker, the policy measures must also enhance economic growth. Policies to enhance productivity would significantly contribute to enhanced growth. Enhanced growth would positively contribute towards growth in national income and would allow for higher levels of tax revenues. [Interjections.]

Mr C M DUGMORE: Ooh! What about the boycott?

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: This in turn would accelerate the return to fiscal sustainability and alleviate pressures on taxpayers, public services and future generations. Mr Deputy Speaker... [Interjections.]

Mr C M DUGMORE: The Premier is supporting his boycott, you as Finance Minister... [Inaudible.]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: ...the creation of a productivity investment fund.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Chief Whip.

Mr M G E WILEY: Can the Minister just deliver his speech without the constant interruptions? [Interjections.]

Mr Q R DYANTYI: Sit down! Sit down!

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! I am listening very carefully to the hon Dugmore. He is making a comment - the very same comment all the time. I think the opportune time for that would be in the Second Reading. Allow the Minister to deliver his speech please. [Interjections.]

Mr C M DUGMORE: May I just address you?

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon member Dugmore.

Mr C M DUGMORE: Could I just ask... [Interjections.]

The SPEAKER: Order!

Mr C M DUGMORE: ...would it be possible for me to ask a question and then he could answer, then we would be sorted out.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Minister, are you prepared a question?

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: I only take questions from senior members of his party.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: The answer seems to be no. Minister, you may continue. [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: We must also create an enabling environment for local businesses to flourish and provide incentives to businesses to be innovative. A more enabling environment would include the following:

- A regulatory environment friendly to small and medium businesses;
- Protection of property rights;
- Tax friendliness;
- Less red tape to start a business;
- Availability of funding / business financing.

Mr Deputy Speaker, we must also improve the management of assets and liabilities. I think members of this House will know that the total Government guarantees have increased from R477 billion to R630 billion. We must identify opportunities to dispose of assets which no longer serve a public policy purpose, improve the returns on assets and reduce the cost of liabilities, which remain on the Government balance sheet and reduce the balance sheet risk.

Mr Deputy Speaker, we have seen on the balance sheet that Eskom has already taken up R350 billion of the State guarantees. Eskom needs another R100 billion of the State guarantees.



These are massive risks and as the Premier rightly pointed out, can be stopped if we stop corruption in South Africa.

The PREMIER: Hear-hear!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Mr Deputy Speaker, let me now turn to the spending priorities of this Government.

Firstly, good governance: Mr Deputy Speaker, when the Premier of the Western Cape, Premier Helen Zille delivered her SOPA on 15 February 2019 she highlighted that for governments to create sustained progress towards prosperity three conditions are required: the rule of law; a culture of accountability in which all members of society take their responsibilities seriously ... [Interjection.]

Mr C M DUGMORE: It is defined in the Provincial Constitution, talk about the rule of law.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: ...and a capable state that undertakes its duties efficiently, honestly and cost effectively. The importance of embedding good governance is entrenched in the Western Cape Government Provincial Strategic Plan 2014 to 2019. Good governance is a requirement to achieve the delivery of services to communities in an integrated, sustainable and equitable manner. It is the basis of building a robust, flexible and sustainable government.

The journey of good financial governance is a continuous one. It is built on the foundation of adherence to good governance principles and ensuring that we maintain governance requirements as prescribed in the applicable legislation.

It ensures that the capabilities of people are continuously and optimally developed and that systems and processes are arranged in a manner that enables resilience to external shocks and enables the sustainable achievement of the government's developmental agenda.

Mr Deputy Speaker, good governance supports and enables the Western Cape Government to deliver its core mandate to the citizens of the Western Cape. It is our commitment to good governance that enables the good story of the Western Cape - a story that highlights that 82% of our Budget is spent on the delivery of services to the most vulnerable in our communities.  
[Interjection.]

Mr C M DUGMORE: The decline is very bad. It has got worse under the DA.  
[Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Mr Deputy Speaker, employment in the Western Cape grew by 24,8% between 2009 and 2018, ahead of Gauteng's 18,6% and KwaZulu-Natal's 8,8%. Since 2009 we have completed 212 000 housing opportunities and 105 500 housing units are due for completion in the Western Cape by 2022 through a series of catalytic opportunities.

[Interjections.]

Mr C M DUGMORE: What is an opportunity? Explain that!

The PREMIER: ...required by your Government.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Today, Mr Deputy Speaker, 91,5% of Western Cape households live within 30 minutes of a healthcare facility. This is a key reason why we have the highest life expectancy in South Africa.

Over 80% of schools have access to free internet. We have entrenched a culture of good governance and accountability. We consistently receive the highest number of clean audits, namely 83%, in South Africa across all departments and entities.

Mr Q R DYANTYI: In the sea of poverty and unemployment [Inaudible.] That is why you have achieved clean audits.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: I want to thank all the mayors and the municipalities because they have also received more than 83% clean audits in municipalities. [Interjections.] [Applause.]

The PREMIER: Hear-hear!

Mr Q R DYANTYI: That does not mean - that means nothing!

An HON MEMBER: Ja, under the *bourgeois*.

An HON MEMBER: Irregular expenditure! [Interjection.]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: We have entrenched a culture of good governance and accountability.

Mr M G E WILEY: That is why we are sitting here!

Mr D JOSEPH: It has nothing to do with the ANC.

An HON MEMBER: Good governance. [Interjection.]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: The President's own office, Mr Deputy Speaker, through the Measuring Performance and Assessment Tool for the past six years confirmed the Western Cape is South Africa's top province for good governance in South Africa.

HON MEMBERS: Hear-hear!

Mr C M DUGMORE: The worst province for crime!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Mr Deputy Speaker, I am pleased to

announce that the Provincial Treasury is allocated R1,1 billion to drive the financial good governance in the province. [Interjections.] A Good Governance Grant [Interjection.]

Mr C M DUGMORE: The worst province for employment equity!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Mr Deputy Speaker, for the first time in the history of this Parliament we are also introducing a good financial incentive grant for municipalities that are performing well, both in the finances but also in the service delivery to its people and a grant is made available; R30 million is introduced in this financial year - the first in South Africa.

The PREMIER: Hear-hear! [Applause.]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Mr Deputy Speaker, we must be seen to reward excellence and we are now in the phase of rewarding municipalities that perform exceptionally well here in the Western Cape.

Let me now turn to growth and jobs. The Department of Economic Development and Tourism, Agriculture, Transport and Public Works, and Environmental Affairs and Development Planning collectively contributes to the creation of growth and jobs in this province.

Over the past ten years' success highlights include:

- The Western Cape has the lowest unemployment rate in South Africa.
- Cape Town is the city with the most job opportunities in South Africa with 14 000 jobs being advertised online in January 2019 alone.
- Cape Town-Stellenbosch is Africa's tech hub employing 40 000 people; more than Lagos and Nairobi combined.
- Cape Town is the finance hub of Sub-Saharan Africa overtaking Johannesburg in the 2018 Global Financial Centres Index.
- 70% of South Africa's renewable energy manufacturing takes place in the Western Cape, with our country being the fastest growing green economy in the world according to Moody's.
- Cape Town is also the meetings and events capital of Africa.

Mr Deputy Speaker, I am glad to announce that an amount of R132,7 million is allocated to support economic growth and job creation stimulus within the Western Cape Province including an increased support for Small and Medium Enterprises. Over the 2019 MTEF, the Department of Economic Development and Tourism aims to stimulate economic growth in the Western Cape which will lead to an increase in job opportunities, especially for young people through an increased support mechanism in Small, Medium, and Micro Enterprises mainly in the rural areas such as Bredasdorp, Clanwilliam, Hermanus, Riebeek West, Swellendam and Caledon.

Mr Deputy Speaker, let me now turn to trade and investment since foreign direct investment is important to invest in a growing economy. Over the 2019 MTEF promotion of trade and investment activities within the Western

Cape will respond to various markets. Specific focus will be placed on the African market as a key investment and trade destination. The African continent has now one billion people, and this is a great market.

Last Wednesday Wesgro and the Minister of Economic Opportunities came to the Cabinet last Wednesday and they showed us the top ten export markets for the Western Cape in 2017 and they are Namibia, United Kingdom, the Netherlands, United States, Botswana, Germany, China, UAE, Kenya and Zambia. We are also continuously cementing our relationships with Indonesia with 260 million people.

Investment promotion in the province will be further driven through the establishment of Project Good Hope, which aims to aggressively market Cape Town and the Western Cape as an inspiring and safe place to do business, thereby increasing investor confidence, and the One Stop Shop Invest SA Initiative.

Mr Deputy Speaker, supporting agriculture and agri-processing sectors, the Western Cape Government's commodity approach has led to successful land reform initiatives. It will now also be applied within the commercialisation programme which aims to make black commercial farmers self-sufficient and empower 20 emerging fruit farmers towards commercialisation. Market access is an integral component for successful land reform and commercialisation of emerging farmers.

The Western Cape Government will continue with our international promotional events. Specific focus will be placed on supporting the Sustainability Initiative of South Africa, also known as SIZA, as well the Wine and Agricultural Ethical Trading Association, also known as WIETA.

Mr Deputy Speaker, I am pleased to announce that R1 billion is allocated towards successful agriculture land reform over the 2019 MTEF for continued market access, which is an integral of land reform and the commercialisation of emerging farmers. [Interjections.]

Mr C M DUGMORE: How much for ownership? How much for ownership?

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: This is a significant allocation to the Department of Agriculture since they are doing outstanding work.

Mr Deputy Speaker, let me now turn to Saldanha IDZ and the Atlantis Economic Zone. [Interjections.]

Mr B D JOSEPH: Afrikaans people's schools are in Afrikaans.

The MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: Nonsense!

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order!



An HON MEMBER: She is not aware of it.

The MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM: Of course she is aware of it.

Mr B D JOSEPH: You are not aware of it. I can link it to the schools.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Minister, you may continue. Hon member Joseph, allow the Minister to continue.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Thank you hon member Joseph. Over the 2019 MTEF the Saldanha Bay Industrial Development Zone will continue as a driver of the Project Khulisa's oil and gas and marine engineering sector with the first elements of the customised infrastructure of the oil and gas and marine engineering hub in Saldanha Bay. [Interjection.]

Mr C M DUGMORE: How much did you pay McKinsey? How much did you pay McKinsey?

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: We are also, Mr Deputy Speaker, keeping a close eye, a close watch on Mossel Bay following the announcement of the discovery of oil and gas off the Mossel Bay coastline. The Saldanha Bay IDZ Support Group and Ministerial Mandating Committee will further coordinate enterprise development, education and skills development, enabling infrastructure and other social services. The Atlantis Special

Economic Zone will continue to attract manufacturing and service companies in the green technology space.

I am therefore pleased to announce that R156,8 million is allocated over the 2019 MTEF towards the Saldanha Bay Industrial Development Zone as a key catalytic driver in the oil and gas and marine sectors for economic growth within the West Coast District.

An HON MEMBER: Hear-hear!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Mr Deputy Speaker, this is a project that the Premier started many years ago in terms of Atlantis revitalisation, and R96,5 million is now also allocated towards the Atlantis Special Economic Zone for the manufacturing of green technologies and related services.

Mr C M DUGMORE: The ANC started that.

The PREMIER: Nonsense!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: This is a massive investment in this economy. Mr Deputy Speaker, infrastructure development in the province is underpinned by the provincial infrastructure-led growth strategy as set out in the 2018 Western Cape Medium Term Budget Expenditure Framework. I am therefore pleased to announce that the Department of Transport and Public Works, as the key driver of infrastructure development in the province, is

allocated R25,2 billion over the 2019 MTEF towards the construction and maintenance of public works and roads infrastructure, the facilitation of integrated transport services, transport regulation and community based programmes to enhance the livelihoods of the citizens in the province.

It is worth noting, Mr Deputy Speaker, over the past decade this Government has spent over R42 billion on infrastructure, R22 billion on roads, R9 billion on schools, R5,6 billion on health facilities and R1,5 billion on library services.

Over the 2019 MTEF, the Department of Transport and Public Works will continue to manage the subsidisation of bus operations in the Cape Town Metro area through the Public Transport Operating Grant. Outside the Cape Metropolitan area the implementation of sustainable transport will continue through the George Integrated Public Transport Network.

Mr Deputy Speaker, a key focus of this Budget is a budget for the youth. The Department of Economic Development and Tourism is mandated to oversee the coordination, facilitation and implementation of skills development initiatives within this province.

Over the 2019 MTEF, focus will be placed on artisan development, skills for the digital economy, financial business sector skills and improving the quality of maths, science and engineering qualifications and developing entrepreneurial skills - especially among the youth. The apprenticeship

initiative aims to introduce at least 11 300 qualified apprentices into the labour market by 2019 by working with schools, technical and vocational education colleges and employers across five priority sectors, namely oil and gas, tourism, agri-processing, ICT and energy.

Skills development, Mr Deputy Speaker and members of this House, in the rural landscape will be prioritised through the implementation of the Agricultural Partnership for Youth Development, which addresses inequality in education and skills opportunities for rural youth, specifically children of agri-workers.

The after-school programme, the Mass-participation, Opportunity and Access, Development and Growth, the MOD Programme, is an after-school initiative that provides school-going children youth with access to sporting, arts and cultural opportunities as well as curriculum-linked academic support at a school-based MOD Centre. The MOD Programme promotes an ethos of healthy living, lifelong activity, lifelong learning for greater citizen impact. The number of learners engaged in regular and consistent after school programming has increased from 14 000 in 2014 to 81 000 learners in 2018/19.

Youth Cafés across the province provide opportunities to youth who is not engaged in education, employment and training, also known as NEETS, to improve their employability and readiness for adulthood. The Cafés provide skills development and training on life skills, mentoring and coaching and

leadership as well as entrepreneurship and accredited formal training and job preparedness. Access has been extended to hearing-impaired youth, with Youth Café staff undergoing accredited sign language courses since 2017/18. A further three Youth Cafés, in addition to the 11 currently in operation, will be established in 2019/2020. These Youth Cafés will strategically be located in geographic areas within the Metro East, Metro North and Overberg-Cape Winelands.

The Minister of Social Development will make further announcements during his budget speech. The Cape Youth at Work Programme will continue to supplement the Youth Café programme. Mr Deputy Speaker, seven o'clock this morning I received a phone call from the hon Minister of Social Development speaking excitedly about this Cape Youth at Work Programme and what this programme achieves. [Interjections.]

Mr Q R DYANTYI: He is always boring.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: The YearBeyond Programme is the academic pillar of the DCAS led programme, which provides volunteer opportunities.

Mr Q R DYANTYI: He is so boring.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Mr Deputy Speaker, at seven o'clock the Minister is working.

An HON MEMBER: No, he is feeling excited!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: These opportunities expose youth extensive leadership training and various pathways into employment.

Mr Q R DYANTYI: It is such a boring speech!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: To date, 61% of the 2016 cohort of volunteers have transitioned into either employment or studies, and the remainder continue to volunteer. Over the 2019 MTEF R40,278 million has been allocated to the YeBo programme.

Mr Deputy Speaker, let me now turn to a budget for service delivery. Health Services: the growing population, coupled with increased complexity of ill-health conditions presented at public health facilities, continue to place the public health system under severe pressure. I am therefore pleased to announce that the Department of Health is allocated an amount of R78,5 billion over the 2019 MTEF. Included in this allocation over the MTEF is an additional allocation of R511 million toward managing the increased service-load pressures and the health system, given the growing patient load and the burden of disease.

The Department of Health is actively engaged in implementing its service strategy, which aims to improve system performance, patient experience, and quality of care and life outcomes. Continued investment in terms of health

infrastructure and maintenance remains key to ensure delivery of a dignified public health service.

In addition to the current maintenance budget, R425 million has been allocated over the 2019 MTEF for capital infrastructure delivery and maintenance at Tygerberg Hospital. I am pleased to announce that towards the delivery of quality education and the attainment of education outcomes for learners in the province, the Western Cape Government has allocated R75,2 billion over the 2019 MTEF for education.

An additional R1,2 billion over the 2019 MTEF has been allocated to accommodate increasing service load pressures in the main to respond to the increased demand for teacher and related support material as a result of the year-on-year increases in learner numbers in the province.

Teacher development programmes have been prioritised with an allocation of R337 million over the 2019 MTEF with the focus on ICT training and the introduction of the Change Mindset Intervention which encourages agility in the adoption of innovative learning approaches. Learner performance in Maths, Science and Technology receives an allocation of R109 million over the 2019 MTEF. This allocation is directed towards teacher training and the provision of the necessary equipment and laboratory consumables to enhance the learning and teaching experience in these areas.

Interventions to increase the quality of education and to maximise citizen

impact, particularly on learners in poorer communities, include the provision of meals to learners through the School Nutrition Programme and the provision for no-fee schools and fee exemptions in fee-paying schools. In addition to existing departmental contributions, R283,1 million will be allocated specifically towards the implementation of e-Learning over the 2019 MTEF, as well as R23,4 million for Broadband access for e-Education.

Mr Deputy Speaker, Early Childhood Development is very important in this Government. The continued expansion and support of Early Childhood Development has resulted in access to these centres to increase it to 76 000 children aged between zero and four years by 2017/18.

The quality of and access to ECD Centres in the Province will be strengthened over the 2019 MTEF by extending infrastructure upgrade opportunities and increasing ECD subsidies from R15 to R16 per child per day. The intent is to extend ECD access to almost 81 000 children by 2022. Over the 2019 MTEF R1,132 billion will be invested in ECD and Partial Care by the Department of Social Development.

An HON MEMBER: Hear-hear!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Mr Deputy Speaker, let me now turn to Safety. This is also a budget for Safety. [Interjection.]

Mr C M DUGMORE: Start with safer schools! How much are you giving to



safe schools?

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: I am pleased to announce that an allocation of R1,1 billion over the 2019 MTEF has been set aside to the Department of Community Safety to ensure safer communities, public spaces and to promote professional policing. [Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: Hear-hear! [Applause.]

Mr C M DUGMORE: And you serve alcohol at schools now. [Inaudible.]  
[Interjections.]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Mr Deputy Speaker, safety is an important function. [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Mr Deputy Speaker, Safety receives great attention in this Budget. The Department of Community Safety, in partnership with local municipalities will facilitate surveillance technologies to assist the community and the police in fighting crime. In concert with some municipalities, additional funding has been allocated over the 2019 MTEF toward the establishment of a new K9 Highway Patrol Unit to safeguard the main routes of transport against the transfer of illegal drugs and goods. Priority has been given toward the strengthening of research,

coordination and evaluation of violence prevention initiatives in communities with high levels of crime and violence through the envisaged establishment of a Violence Prevention Innovation Hub.

Vulnerable crime areas such as Paarl East - and I see the Deputy Mayor of Drakenstein here - Saldanha Bay, Khayelitsha and Gunya forms part of the provincial whole-of-society approach where socio-economic variables are taken into consideration before drafting the police needs and priorities.

To make Neighbourhood Watches more professional and efficient in maintaining citizen safety, a monitoring tool has been developed to ensure all accredited Neighbourhood Watches operate according to the set legislative standards required by the Western Cape Community Safety Act. Accredited Neighbourhood Watches will further be supported with equipment... [Interjection.]

Mr C M DUGMORE: How much for school safety? Do you not know?

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: ...training and improved technology platforms, to assist in its crime fighting efforts over the 2019 MTEF.

Improving road and rail safety: Mr Deputy Speaker, I am pleased to announce that the Department of Transport and Public Works will receive an additional R255,5 million over the 2019 MTEF to address public transport requirements for rail enforcement teams. Over the 2019 MTEF the

Department of Transport and Public Works will continue with the implementation of the Provincial Sustainable Transport Programme.

The deployment of the Rail Enforcement Unit - a collaboration between the Western Cape Government, the City of Cape Town, and the Passenger Rail Agency of South Africa - has seen an increase in the number of security officials and a reduction in crime on our trains.

†n AGBARE LID: Mooi!

[An HON MEMBER: Good!]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Just this past week, Mr Deputy Speaker, the Rail Enforcement Unit collaborated in six operations with PRASA Protection Services and the South African Police Service. They also made four arrests and conducted 1 075 stop-and-searches. The arrests took place in Bishop Lavis, Athlone and Manenberg. Some of the suspects may be prosecuted in terms of the Criminal Matters Amendment Act, which provides for stricter bail conditions and harsher sentences including up to 30 years' imprisonment for those caught and convicted of destruction of essential infrastructure.

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: Hear-hear!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: This is a significant achievement by our colleagues and the various municipalities and Transport and Public Works.

Mr Deputy Speaker, let me now come to safety in schools. Over the 2019 MTEF, the Safe Schools' Initiative within the Western Cape Education has been allocated a budget of R112,5 million. In addition to physical school safety, interventions such as the installation of secure perimeter fencing; restricted electronic access... [Interjection.]

Mr C M DUGMORE: That is a 1% increase.

The MINISTER OF EDUCATION: No, it is not.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: ...and monitored alarm systems, strategic partnerships between schools and communities are key to providing safety in our schools. [Interjections.]

Mr C M DUGMORE: ...that is the problem, for the last seven years.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Other initiatives which will be given further support include the Walking Bus Programme and the Safe Schools Call Centre which provides support to both learners and teachers regarding matters relating to their services in a range of categories, such as abuse, gang activity, bullying and vandalism.

Let me now turn to Social Development Services for the poor and most vulnerable. I am pleased to announce that the Department of Social Development is allocated an amount of R7,8 billion over the next three years

to provide social welfare services to the most vulnerable in the province. Included in these amounts are additional allocations totalling R132 million over the 2019 MTEF to ensure the sustainability of the current services rendered and meeting the increasing demand for social welfare services in this province. The Eye on the Child and Isi... [Interjection.]

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: Isibindi.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: ... Isibindi Programmes are two key community-based programmes aimed at identifying and assisting children most vulnerable to abuse and neglect. Over the 2019 MTEF, the Isibindi Programme will be extended to two additional sites, in Kalksteefontein and Nyanga. R590 million over the 2019 Medium Term Expenditure Framework has been budgeted for service for persons with disabilities. The expansion of services to persons with disabilities over the MTEF includes improved access to residential care for children with intellectual disabilities, with 30 additional beds to be made available at the Sivuyile Centre by mid-2019.

Mr Deputy Speaker, let me now turn to Arts, Culture and Sport. Over the past decade... [Interjection.]

Mr C M DUGMORE: How much for the Children's Commissioner?

The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: Stop wasting money!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: ...this Government has built 53 new libraries and upgraded a further 18 libraries. This has empowered 42 communities in 24 municipalities. The Western Cape holds the highest number of library membership in South Africa... [Interjection.]

An HON MEMBER: Hear-hear!

†Die MINISTER VAN MAATSKAPLIKE ONTWIKKELING: Mooi!

[The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: Good!]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: ...and by far the highest book circulation. Support for major events have increased by 248%. Funding for local sport organisations has increased by 124% with an average of 120 organisations being supported at a grassroots level each year. I am therefore pleased to announce that the Department of Culture is therefore allocated R2,5 billion over the 2019 MTEF toward the promotion of arts, culture and sport in the Western Cape.

I think the hon members will know that ten years ago the Department of Arts and Culture budget was about R300 million. We are now reaching R2,5 billion over three years. R242,1 million is allocated specifically and exclusively toward library services in this province.

This funding will go towards the procurement of library services, electronic resources; professional library staff training, with a particular focus on

connecting rural libraries. In about ten days' time, Mr Deputy Speaker, we will also take part in the National Library Week here in this province. Sport and Recreation is allocated R677,3 million toward providing sport and recreation activities for the citizens in this province.

Mr Deputy Speaker, let me now turn to climate change. Climate change response: the recent severe drought has resulted in water being identified as a major provincial enterprise risk. I am pleased to announce that in response to climate change the Western Cape Government allocated R83,9 million towards enabling the promotion and stimulation of a greener economy and water resources in this province.

My colleague the Minister of Local Government, Minister Bredell - his department is being central in point for planning and managing of the drought in the province - will support municipalities in the 2019 MTEF  
[Interjection.]

Mr C M DUGMORE: Gift of the Givers...

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: The provision of technical and geo-hydrological services that entails the reprioritisation of financial resources towards water augmentation and demand for management services.  
[Interjections.]

Mr C M DUGMORE: ... doing your work for you.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: The provision of professional support and advice with the drilling and testing of boreholes; providing specialist consulting services, which enables the assessment of the current status of water-use licenses and assistance in adhering to the license conditions, and the provision of drought-relief funding and support.

Mr Deputy Speaker, I want to put on record this Government's deep thanks and appreciation for the way in which my colleague, the Minister of Local Government, has addressed this drought issue. It certainly needs a round of applause. [Applause.] [Interjections.]

Mr Q R DYANTYI: Do you mean the crisis that he [Inaudible.] Ah really!

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: You forget about the drought relief...

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: This drought has also contributed to the spate of devastating fires recently experienced in the province, particularly in the Metro, the West Coast particularly Wupperthal, Overberg and the Garden Route areas. The Department of Local Government has been allocated funding in the 2018/19 Adjusted Estimates to deal with these disasters.

An amount of R5 million is allocated to Overstrand Municipality - I see Mazi and the Mayor - to assist with the fire-truck replacement services and cost associated with the fires in Overstrand. [Applause.]



An HON MEMBER: Hear-hear!

Mr Q R DYANTYI: Overstrand or Overberg - just checking, just checking.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: The Department of Local Government is also allocated an additional R38,9 million over the 2019 MTEF to appoint additional capacity towards the management of the drought crisis.  
[Interjection.]

Mr Q R DYANTYI: He is boring!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: An additional R25 million has been allocated by this Cabinet to address the drought-related matters ... [Interjection.]

Mr Q R DYANTYI: You have less than 60 days to go with that.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: ...and the exploration of new well-fields in the Central Karoo District area. [Interjections.]

Mr Q R DYANTYI: Goodbye!

Mr C M DUGMORE: Why do you not put R25 million to black farmers to get farms?

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! Order!

Mr C M DUGMORE: There is no money for that!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: The Province has also received an additional R83 million from National through the Provincial Emergency Housing Grant. This allocation, Mr Deputy Speaker, is an important issue as it relates to the programming of this Legislature. This Province has received an additional R8,773 million from National through the Provincial Emergency Housing Grant. This allocation is taken up in the Western Cape Additional Adjustments Appropriation Bill 2018/19, in other words in the current financial year, which I also table here today in Parliament. [Interjections.]

The Department of Agriculture has prioritised sound water management as a key requirement to flourish. This Department remains an important stakeholder in the improvement of the Brandvlei Dam canal inlet and subsequent distribution and usage of additional water capacity to emerging farmers. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: Hear-hear!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: An additional allocation of R1,2 million in 2019/20 toward the evaluation of the Western Cape Agricultural Sector Climate Change Framework and the implementation will contribute to further efficiencies.

The Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning is

allocated R37,129 million towards the development and the roll-out of the following water security initiatives over the 2019 MTEF...

Ms C F BEERWINKEL: The desalination plants are not working.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: ...The Breede River Environmental Resource Protection Plans in collaboration with key stakeholders, the Berg River Improvement Plan and the Sustainable Water Management Plan.

Mr Deputy Speaker, let me now turn to Integrated Human Settlements.

Mr Q R DYANTYI: Do not worry, we will [Inaudible.] with the new budget. You have less than 60 days to go... [Interjections.]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order!

Mr Q R DYANTYI: With the DA, before May ends.

An HON MEMBER: You will not be here!

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon member Dyantyi, please come to order. [Interjections.]

An HON MEMBER: You will not be here!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Mr Deputy Speaker, I am pleased to announce that the Department of Human Settlements, my colleague next to me, is allocated R7,4 billion to continue with the three priorities of the 2019 MTEF, which include more resources to the upgrading of informal settlements and the provision of basic services; increase in affordable or GAP housing... [Interjection.]

Mr Q R DYANTYI: You are just wasting your time.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: ...and the prioritising of the most deserving people in relation to the allocation of free Breaking New Ground houses. Key projects over the 2019 MTEF include the Better Living Model... [Interjection.]

Mr C M DUGMORE: In his own department.

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Conradie Hospital Site, which is a priority project of the Province, and brings with it a focus on spatial integration. The Better Living Model is a partnership with the private sector, the Western Cape Government, the City of Cape Town and has broken ground in 2019 with the development of the site underway.

The Belhar CBD is another priority project which is a Government-led catalytic mixed-use high density residential project and comprises various types of residential units and forms of tenure that targets the subsidy market,

the BNG, bond subsidy market, FLISP, and social housing subsidised rental, open market rental units, student accommodation as well as a smaller number of freestanding open markets.

To support catalytic projects within the province, the Department is allocated an additional R56,1 million over the 2019 MTEF to increase capacity for catalytic responses and an additional R43 million in 2019/20 to be utilised for bulk infrastructure on catalytic projects.

Mr Deputy Speaker, the Regional Socio-economic Project, Violence Prevention through Urban Upgrade, the Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning is allocated a budget of R104,8 million over the 2019 MTEF towards the implementation and institutionalisation of the Regional Socio-Economic Programme.

The RSEP/VPUU programme directly addresses the needs of the communities in the province and delivers visible service delivery projects, with a focus on poor communities.

The RSEP Programme is implemented in seven municipalities - Berg River, Witzenberg, Cape Agulhas, Stellenbosch, Prince Albert, Mossel Bay and Bitou and the RSEP to be rolled out in Saldanha Bay - I see the Mayco member of Finance of Saldanha, Mr Venter - Drakenstein, the Deputy Mayor of Drakenstein, Manenberg, Hanover Park and Khayelitsha.

Mr Deputy Speaker, allow me to summarise the Western Cape Budget aggregates as follows: total provincial payments and provisions in 2019/20 amounts to R68,338 billion; total provincial receipts comprise of ...

Mr Q R DYANTYI: You are boring!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: ... Provincial Equitable Share amounting to R51,2 billion; Conditional Grants R12,8 billion; Financing amounting to R1,297 billion and Provincial Own Receipts amounting to R2,94 billion. That is own provincial revenue.

Mr Deputy Speaker, over the last five years this Government adopted a good financial governance framework. This Government approved a sound fiscal strategy. This Government approved budget principles to protect our fiscus. This Government introduced COE ceilings to control the Wage Bill. We reformed the MTEC process towards inclusion and evidence-based budgeting. We used the Budget for maximum citizen impact. We rewarded innovation, technology and partnership. We increased our domestic resource mobilisation. We implemented strict financial control over the provincial public entities. We shifted from governance for compliance to governance for results. We took the Budget to the people. We used the IGR framework to align our Budget to the constitutional mandate and the IDP of municipalities. We have been able to support municipalities here in the Western Cape. We have been able to respond to provincial disasters. We drove the Government's change agenda, but, Mr Deputy Speaker, much more

needs to be done. The journey of change will continue. This Budget, Mr Deputy Speaker, will allow the next Premier to move from good to great. [Interjections.] [Applause.]

Mr Deputy Speaker, this is a budget for jobs. This is a budget for safety. This is a budget for service delivery. This is a budget for the youth. This is a budget for infrastructure. This is a budget for good governance. This budget builds on the legacy of Premier Helen Zille and hands over to the next Premier a financially sound business. [Interjections.] [Applause.]

Mr Deputy Speaker, I would like to thank Premier Zille and my Cabinet colleagues for their leadership and support during the finalisation of this Provincial Budget.

I also wish to extend my gratitude to Mr Zakariya Hoosain, the head official of the Provincial Treasury, the Director-General, the head of the Budget Office, Deputy Director-General and Fiscal Services, Mr Harry Malila and all my staff in the Budget Office.

An HON MEMBER: Hear-hear! [Applause.]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: I would also like to thank my staff in the Ministry, headed by Advocate Pretorius, Daniel Johnson, Charmaine de Vos, Linda Jacobs, Lesley Anne Diergaardt, Zodwa Mdingi and Nicolene Hill. Thank you for your support and for keeping the office running so

effectively.

Mr Deputy Speaker, allow me to also thank my family; my wife, Faeza, for their support. She asked me not to mention that it is her birthday today.  
[Applause.]

An HON MEMBER: Happy birthday!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Mr Deputy Speaker, I value the support of my father, my wife and my family.

An HON MEMBER: Hear-hear!

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: I would also like to thank the Chairperson of the Budget Committee and the Chair of the Standing Committee on Finance, Mr Denis Joseph and all the members of these committees. I value and appreciate your input.

Mr Deputy Speaker, it gives me now great pleasure to table the 2019 Overview of Provincial Revenue and Expenditure, the Overview of Provincial and Municipal Infrastructure Investment, Estimates of Provincial Revenue and Expenditure, the Western Cape 2019 Appropriation Bill and associate Provincial Gazette allocations to municipalities, the Western Cape Additional Adjusted Estimates of Provincial Expenditure, Western Cape Additional Adjustments Appropriations Bill (2018/19). That is the



R83 million Minister Madikizela, and the associate Provincial Gazette of allocations to municipalities and this speech, for discussion and consideration by this House.

Mr Deputy Speaker, Minister Winde, on behalf of Premier Helen Zille and this Cabinet, I hand over to you a balanced budget, a stable budget, a sustainable budget, and a budget for growth and jobs.

†n AGBARE LID: Hoor-hoor!

[An HON MEMBER: Hear-hear!]

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: I thank you. [Applause.]

†Die MINISTER VAN MAATSKAPLIKE ONTWIKKELING: Mooi!

[The MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: Good!]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order! [Interjections.] Order! The Secretary will read the Bill a first time.

The SECRETARY: Western Cape Appropriation Bill [B1 – 2019]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: In accordance with Rule 187(1) the introductory speech, the Bill and papers laid upon the table will be referred to the relevant committees for consideration and report.

The Secretary will read the second Order.

The SECRETARY: Introduction and First Reading, Western Cape Additional Adjustments Appropriation Bill (2018/19 financial year) [B4 – 2019]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Hon Minister, the second Order has been read. There is nothing further?

The MINISTER OF FINANCE: Mr Deputy Speaker, we have received an additional allocation for the current financial year 2018/19 to the value of R83 million for the fires that happened particularly in Khayelitsha and in Philippi. I therefore table this second Adjustment Bill in this House.

†n AGBARE LID: Hoor-hoor!

[An HON MEMBER: Hear-hear!]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you, Minister. [Applause.] The Secretary will read the Bill a first time.

The SECRETARY: Western Cape Additional Adjustments Appropriation Bill (2018/19 Financial Year) [B4 – 2019]

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: In accordance with Rule 187(1) the introductory speech, the Bill and papers laid upon the table will be referred to the relevant committees for consideration and report, and that brings us to the

end of the business of the day.

The House is adjourned.

The House adjourned at 15:17.