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# PARLIAMENT OF THE PROVINCE OF THE WESTERN CAPE

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THURSDAY, 14 SEPTEMBER 2023

**HOUSE: 14:15** 

# INTERPELLATIONS AND QUESTIONS

# **QUESTIONS TO THE PREMIER WITHOUT NOTICE**

Mr F C Christians Ms N G Bakubaku-Vos Ms D M Baartman Mr P Marran Mr I M Sileku

Mr T M Klaas

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Mr P T de Villiers

### STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS

# **MOTIONS**

### ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 1. Consideration of report of the Standing Committee on Finance, Economic Opportunities and Tourism on the Performers' Protection Amendment Bill [B 24F–2016] (NCOP), dated 1 September 2023 (see Announcements, Tablings and Committee Reports, no 93, dated 7 September 2023, p 351). (Ratification of final mandate.)
- 2. Consideration of report of the Standing Committee on Finance, Economic Opportunities and Tourism on the Copyright Amendment Bill [B 13F–2017] (NCOP), dated 1 September 2023 (see Announcements, Tablings and Committee Reports, no 93, dated 7 September 2023, p 351). (Ratification of final mandate.)

### **FURTHER BUSINESS**

### NOTICES OF MOTION (14 September 2023)

1. Mr P T De Villiers: The House debates the issue of "Homelessness" and how we as a provincial government are dealing with and ensuring that we reduce the numbers of those living on our streets.

- 2. Mr F C Christians: That the House debates the slow pace of restoration of the railway line network in the Western Cape.
- 3. Ms R Windvogel: That the House debates the crisis of short staff in Health facilities in the Western Cape.
- 4. Ms A P Bans: That the House debates the over 200 criminal cases falling through the court cracks in the Western Cape.
- 5. Ms A P Bans: That the House debates more than 70 gender-based violence cases have been struck off Western Cape court rolls in the last six months.
- 6. Mr M K Sayed: That the House debates the suspension of almost 30 learners from Rhodes High School in Cape Town.

### NOTICES OF MOTION (31 August 2023)

- 1. Ms W F Kaizer-Philander: That the House welcomes the announcement of Premier Alan Winde as the DA's Western Cape Premier candidate for the 2024 elections; notes that this nomination speaks volumes about Premier Winde's leadership, dedication and commitment to serving the people of the Western Cape; notes that this nomination also highlights the DA's faith and confidence in him to guide the province for the upcoming five years; further notes that, despite challenges such as the COVID-19 pandemic during the Premier's first few years in office, he led the province with integrity, innovation and strong leadership; further notes that, through the implementation of the Western Cape's Safety Plan in 2020, the province saw the consistent and steady reduction in violent crime and we have also seen successes in job creation with 54 000 jobs being created in the last quarter, much economic progress and the launch of the Growth for Jobs Strategy; and further notes that, despite regression in other parts of South Africa, the Western Cape continues to thrive as an example of law and order, economic progress and good governance.
- 2. Ms D M Baartman: That the House notes Cape Town Mayor Geordin Hill-Lewis' announcement of his first Mayor's Science and Innovation Fair to be held on Saturday 14 October 2023; notes that the fair seeks scientific concepts and designs that addresses challenges that our society faces daily; notes that this is one of the projects through which the City of Cape Town encourages creativity, science, innovation and forward-thinking from young minds; and calls on all Capetonian learners in Grade 8 to 11 to enter this exciting initiative before the deadline of 2 October 2023.
- 3. Mr C Fry: That the House cautiously welcomes national Minister of Electricity Kgosientso Ramokgopa's agreement to brief the Ad-hoc Committee on Energy on 15 September this year on the impact of the energy crisis on the Western Cape; further note that this vital briefing has been postponed on numerous separate occasions; and expresses its profound hope that the Minister will honour his commitment in the interests of the people of the Western Cape.
- 4. Ms W F Kaizer-Philander: That the House notes recent reports that President Cyril Ramaphosa allegedly snubbed Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi upon his arrival at the Brics Summit held in Johannesburg last week; notes that President Ramaphosa's warm welcome of Chinese President Xi Jinping reportedly ruffled the feathers of the Indian Prime Minister with a Daily Maverick report suggesting that Prime Minister Modi

refused to leave his plane "because the South African government had only sent a Cabinet Minister to officially welcome him; notes that President Ramaphosa's reception of the President Xi, including conferring the Order of South Africa on him, highlights how South Africa is continuing its cozy relationship with the Chinese government; notes that, while China may be South Africa's largest single-county trading partner, the relationship is not always based on benefaction as our trade deficit with China stood at over R170 billion last year; further notes that India is South Africa's second largest Brics trading partner and in 2022 India accounted for 4,5% of South Africa's exports; and notes that it is unfortunate that President Ramaphosa chose to elevate South Africa's relationship with China over an equally important trade relationship with India.

- 6. Mr M K Sayed: That the House notes with grave concern the rising incidence of inappropriate conduct by teachers towards learners that is deeply troubling; calls upon all Members of this House to join hands across party lines in condemning such behaviour unequivocally; urges the provincial administration to take swift and decisive action by initiating an in-depth inquiry into these disturbing incidents; and unites by sending a clear message that such behaviour will not be tolerated.
- 7. Mr P Marran: That the House extends heartfelt gratitude to the local contractors and artisans in Hanover Park who have joined hands with the non-profit organisation Gift of the Givers; notes that their collaborative efforts in aiding residents suffered property damage in the recent storms are truly commendable; notes that their selflessness, dedication and swift action are shining examples of community spirit and resilience; notes that, in times of need, they have demonstrated the power of unity and kindness by showing that compassion knows no boundaries; notes, however, that it is disheartening to observe the glaring contrast in responses to crises based on socio-economic factors and the lack of prompt action by the DA in addressing the situation underscores systemic inequalities; notes that the swiftness of their response often seems to be influenced by the demographics of the affected area; and notes that it is essential that political leaders rise above such biases and uphold their duty to serve all constituents equitably, irrespective of their background.
- 9. Mr M K Sayed: The House notes and calls on the Western Cape Education Department (WCED) to intervene urgently in the following matters at the Delft North Primary School: the school's alleged unfair practices in awarding the uniform contract to a company from outside the community without giving local seamstresses a chance to compete; the school's alleged discriminatory practices in singling out a child for wearing a uniform made by a local seamstress; the allegations that the school hired a venue to a gang boss for a fundraiser without the necessary permits or safety measures in place; the school's alleged harassment of a parent for embroidering the school badge on her grandson's jersey; further notes that the above-mentioned matters, if true, constitute unfair practices and the abuse of learners; laments the lack of decisive action taken by the WCED to address these concerns; and calls on the Minister and the WCED to conduct an urgent investigation into these allegations and to take appropriate action if needed.
- 10. Mr F C Christians: That the House notes with concern that some learners who are resident in Mitchells Plain have to travel outside of Mitchells Plain to attend schools; notes that this concern is not to be confused with learners who attend schools outside Mitchells Plain out of their own free will and upon guidance from their parents; notes that the concern is for learners who have applied for admission to schools in Mitchells Plain

only to be placed by the WCED in schools outside Mitchells Plain; notes that, in some instances, the schools are within walking distance of the homes of learners, while learners outside of Mitchells Plain are placed at Mitchells Plain Schools; further notes that there is an economical challenge for parents who have to pay for transport to schools; notes that there is also the fear that learners who cannot be placed in Mitchells Plain schools become school drop-outs; notes that this situation is not unique to Mitchells Plain, but is also evident in other communities; and calls for the correction and rehabilitation of this prevailing condition at our schools.

See also: Mr F C Christians (p 4); Mr P J Marais (p 4); Ms L M Maseko (p 5); Mr M K Sayed (p 6); Mr C M Dugmore (p 6); Ms R Windvogel (p 6); Mr M Kama (p 6); Ms A P Bans (p 6); Ms A P Bans (p 7); Mr M K Sayed (p 7); Ms N D Nkondlo (p 7); Ms N G Bakubaku-Vos (p 7); Mr M K Sayed (p 8); Ms D M Baartman (p 8); Mr T M Klaas (p 8); Mr C M Dugmore (p 11); Ms A Cassiem p 12; Mr T M Klaas (p 12); Ms A P Bans (p 12); Ms N D Nkondlo (p 12); Ms A P Bans (p 13); Ms N G Bakubaku-Vos (p 13); Ms R Windvogel (p 13); Mr F C Christians (p 14); Mr I M Sileku (p 14); Ms N G Bakubaku-Vos (p 15); Mr M K Sayed (p 15); Ms A P Bans (p 15); Mr M Kama (p 15); Mr C M Dugmore (p 16); Mr G Bosman (p 17); Mr F C Christians (p 17); Mr C M Dugmore (p 18); Ms D M Baartman (p 18); Mr T M Klaas (p 18); Ms A P Bans (p 18); Mr K Brinkhuis (p 21); Ms A P Bans (p 21); Mr C M Dugmore (p 21); Mr M Kama (p 6); Ms R Windvogel (p 6); Ms P Z Lekker (p 21); Mr F C Christians (p 21); Mr L L Mvimbi (p 21); Mr M K Sayed (p 21); Mr F C Christians (p 23); Ms A P Bans (p 23); Ms N G Bakubaku-Vos (p 23); Ms R Windvogel (p 23); Mr P Marran (p 23); Mr L L Mvimbi (p 24); Ms P Z Lekker (p 24); Ms A Cassiem (p 24); Mr T M Klaas (p 24); Mr K Brinkhuis (p 24); Mr T M Klaas (p 25); Mr I M Sileku (p 25); Mr L L Mvimbi (p 25); Ms P Z Lekker (p 25); Mr M K Sayed (p 25); Mr M K Sayed (p 26).