

PARLIAMENT OF THE PROVINCE OF THE WESTERN CAPE

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ORDER PAPER

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THURSDAY, 20 AUGUST 2020

HOUSE: 14:15

INTERPELLATIONS

QUESTIONS

QUESTIONS TO THE PREMIER WITHOUT NOTICE

Ms N Makamba-Botya
Mr G Brinkhuis
Mr F C Christians
Mr G Bosman
Ms W F Philander
Mr D Smith
Mr M Xego

STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS

MOTIONS

ORDER OF THE DAY

Consideration of Report of the Standing Committee on Education on an Oversight visit to the Jakes Gerwel Technical High School conducted on 15 November 2019 (See Announcements, Tablings and Committee Reports, No 64, dated 17 August 2020, p 190).

FURTHER BUSINESS

NOTICES OF MOTION

1. Mr F C Christians: That the House debates the ongoing gang violence in our communities that takes the lives of innocent people.
2. Mr A P van der Westhuizen: That the House debates the effects on the wine and agriculture industry in the Western Cape as a result of the nation-wide liquor ban; furthermore recognises that the ban will result in a potential R1 billion loss for the wine industry and will put 18 000 jobs on the line; and notes that the ban has devastating effects on the industry as 49% of our wines in the province are sold to the domestic market.

3. Mr C M Dugmore: That the House discusses the decision of the Western Cape Provincial Cabinet to call on President Ramaphosa to open up the economy, including lifting the ban on alcohol sales; and establishes which stakeholders were consulted before this decision was taken.
4. Mr R D Mackenzie: That the House debates the impact of the draconian measures by the national government on the economy, which costs South Africans their jobs, and is exacerbated by the reoccurrence of load shedding, which will result in many more job losses.
5. Ms N BakuBaku-Vos: That the House debates the urgent need for full empowerment of women by this DA-run provincial government.
6. Mr C M Dugmore: That the House discusses the outcomes of the lifestyle audits announced by Premier Winde last week given that no details were provided in the said announcement.
7. Mr M Xego: That the House debates the Western Cape Government's acquisition and procurement of personal protective equipment during the COVID-19 pandemic in South Africa.
8. Mr M Xego: That the House debates the report on the outcome of the lifestyle audits concerning members of the Western Cape Government's executive.
9. Ms R Windvogel: That the House notes that the COVID-19 pandemic has surpassed the 100 000 mark with confirmed coronavirus infections in this province and that the Western Cape is well underway to pass the 5 000 death rate too.
10. Ms D M Baartman: That the House notes the ruling of the Gauteng High Court on 11 August 2020 on the matter between the City of Cape Town, the Minister of Energy and the National Energy Regulator of South Africa relating to the City's application for a section 34 ministerial determination to allow the City to procure electricity from independent power producers (IPPs); further notes that the ruling has allowed the ANC government to continue to ignore the people of the Western Cape and has effectively endorsed the deliberate lack of action by the Minister of Energy; further notes that the DA strongly supports the ability of municipalities to procure energy directly from IPPs in order to meet climate-change goals and to enable their economies to continue to function and flourish; condemns the lack of action by the Minister of Energy; and calls on the Minister to approve the City of Cape Town's application to procure electricity from IPPs.
11. Mr C M Dugmore: That the House commends the premiers of Gauteng and the Eastern Cape for requesting the State Security Agency to conduct lifestyle audits of members of their respective executive councils.
12. Mr D America: That the House extends its congratulations to the DA-led municipalities of City of Cape Town, Mossel Bay, Saldanha Bay and Swartland for their outstanding results in the recent Ratings Africa survey; notes that the City of Cape Town achieved the highest rating among all the metropolitan areas in South Africa, scoring a 74 out of 100 on the sustainability index and with a score of 94 out of 100 on liquidity and its revenue collection rate at 95% – the highest in the country; further notes that this report collated by Ratings Africa determined that the management of the financial affairs of the City of Cape Town is in an excellent state; further congratulates Mossel Bay after being ranked the best municipality in the country with an index score of 76; further notes that two other Western Cape municipalities also took second and third place: Saldanha Bay with 74 and Swartland with 73; and further notes that these victories have been achieved for the benefit of all residents of the Western Cape.

13. Mr R I Allen: That the House notes that redress of past injustices remains a crucial constitutional obligation for all spheres of government to address; further notes that real redress cannot be achieved through violence, vandalism and the destruction of public property; and further notes that we as a nation must engage in dialogue on our diverse histories, the difficult past and chart a way forward through upholding our Constitution's imperatives: respect for the rule of law and building social cohesion and trust through democratic processes.
14. Mr R D Mackenzie: That the House congratulates the Premier for portraying the WCG's values of transparency and accountability in the report released regarding the lifestyle audits of the executive in the Western Cape; further notes that the Western Cape is the first province to conduct lifestyle audits; and urges other provinces to follow suit.
15. Mr M K Sayed: That the House notes that many schools experience serious problems with racism and race profiling at present; further notes that many schools, such as SACS, are now standing up to denounce this pandemic; further notes that many learners, teachers and parents are worried about the quality of education since so many weeks were lost during the lockdown; further notes that teachers are not trained to do home-schooling or distance schooling with new media; and calls on the Department of Education to gear up by prioritising and accelerating training in new technology.
16. Mr L L Mvimbi: That the House notes the Breede Valley Municipality in Worcester is split over a long outstanding issue about the tarring of certain roads in townships for poor and marginalised residents, such as Avian Park; and also notes that it seems that this old vendetta between the well-heeled DA members of the leafy suburbs and people of colour is overheating again.
17. Mr D Smith: That the House notes that threats especially against councillors were reportedly made in areas where the DA is losing the support of the public as part of its implosion at municipal level; and condemn these deplorable actions.
18. Mr C M Dugmore: That the House calls on the chairperson of the legislature's standing committee responsible for Local Government to convene the committee urgently, as requested by Hon Danville Smith, to investigate allegations against Minister Bredell and officials of this provincial government.
19. Mr M K Sayed: That the House notes that the Northpine Technical High School's Grade 10 learners had to go back to school a week earlier to write tests, which they apparently were not ready for, in light of the nationwide school closures due to COVID-19; and requests further information from the WCED to be given to the standing committee.
20. Mr D Smith: That the House notes that the Honourable Minister of Local Government, Anton Bredell, applauds the NPA for its intention to act against two Kannaland officials, but is silent about his own party's errant ways in a number of municipalities.
21. Mr C M Dugmore: That the House notes with concern that a number of protests in regard to land and housing across the province are taking place while the provincial government has failed to develop a comprehensive land identification and release strategy.
22. Mr P Marran: That the House notes with concern the illegal and inhumane eviction of farm workers on the farm Albanie in Lamberts Bay during the nationwide lockdown; notes further that the farmer tore down the doors and closed the openings off with bricks, thereby locking all the belongings of workers inside the houses; condemns this heinous act; and calls for criminal charges to be laid against the farmer, Coen Visser.

23. Mr P Marran: That the House notes that people are also protesting because they have not received their money from their employees; and also notes that some of this industrial action is aimed at big businesses, such as Aquilla Safari and CTE along the N1 beyond De Doorns.
24. Mr L L Mvimbi: That the House notes that the Western Cape's Department of Human Settlement has spent R187 million during the past 15 months to safeguard property and that this money could have given a million people housing opportunities.
25. Mr M K Sayed: That the House notes that the province has a shortage of at least about 100 teachers for the matrics, meaning that some matrics will be without teachers while they are halfway to their final school examinations; and notes too that this is as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, as well as the fact that more than 1 000 matriculants have never returned to school after the reopening of schools.
26. Mr M K Sayed: That the House notes many allegations of the DA's looting of coronavirus tenders are being reported by the media, included more than R100 million spent on protection gear in Education and R38 million spent in Transport and Public Works; and further notes the latest reports about the Honourable Premier's Department where thermometers were overpriced by R1 000, far above the regular retail price per unit.
27. Mr M K Sayed: That the House notes that the head of the Department of Education in the Western Cape, Brian Schreuder, has all of a sudden left this position when he was still due to lead the Department for a few months; further notes a replacement for him is now being sought; and requests a full briefing to be made to the standing committee on this sudden change of heart.