

# MINISTRY OF TOURISM REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

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## **NATIONAL ASSEMBLY:**

### **QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY:**

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## Ms H S Winkler (DA) to ask the Minister of Tourism:

- (1) With reference to the unsubsidised Charter and Tourism Bus Industry that have not been able to work a day utilising their Tourism & Charter permits since 26 March 2020, whereas many operators have paid their prepaid licence fees for the year March 2020 to March 2021, (a) on what date will the Department of Transport reimburse the license fees, (b) will permit holders be required to pay for the 2021-22 financial year even if they paid for the 2020-21 financial year but had not operated at all and (c) what engagements have her department and the Department of Transport undertaken to discuss and resolve the issue of the reimbursement of the prepaid license fee;
- (2) whether her department and the Department of Transport have engaged in any discussion and/or meeting to resolve and plan a way forward to assist the Charter and Tourism Bus Industry with the query on their prepaid licensing fees; if not, on what date is it envisaged that the (a) two departments will meet and (b) issue of the license fees be addressed; if so, what are the further relevant details?

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#### **REPLY:**

Various role players contribute to tourism. Prepaid licensing fees for the Charter and Tourism Business Industry is not the competency of the Department of Tourism, but the mandate of the Department of Transport. The department engages from time to time with the Department of Transport on various matters. The Honourable member may refer the question to the Minister of Transport.

- 1. (a) to (c) Not applicable.
- 2. (a) to (b) Not applicable.