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**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

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**1240. Ms L H Arries (EFF) to ask the Minister of Social Development:**

What total number of early childhood development practitioners will be absorbed by the Department of Basic Education? NW1496E

**REPLY:**

The transfer of ECD function from the Department of Social Development to Basic Education does not involve the absorption of ECD practitioners. ECD practitioners are not employed by Government, but by ECD facilities that are registered with the Department and are privately owned.