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**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

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**1452. Ms A L A Abrahams (DA) to ask the Minister of Social Development:**

In light of the fact that once a child turns 18, they no longer qualify for a child support grant and a foster care grant, unless they are still enrolled in schooling, what total number of children (a) who previously received the grants have exited the system due to reaching the age limit in the period 1 January 2017 to 31 December 2021 in each province and (b) are expected to exit the child support grant and the foster care system in 2022 in each province? NW1770E

**REPLY:**

1. The tables below provide the detail of foster child and child support grants which were lapsed as the child turned 18 years of age for the calendar years from 2017 to 2021. It should be noted that the child support grants lapse at the end of the month in which the child turns 18, while the foster child grant lapses at the end of the year in which the child turns 18 years. The number of foster child grants has excluded the numbers of foster children who returned to the system, as they are still in an educational institution.





1. The table below indicates the projected number of both child support grants and foster child grants which will lapse in 2022.

