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**QUESTION 1751**

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**1751.  Ms A M M Weber (DA) to ask the Minister of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development: *[Interdepartmentally transferred from Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs with effect Monday, 9 May 2022]***

1. With municipalities being required to have a pound, as stated in the Municipal Pound By-Law, 2019, that commenced on 21 October 2019 and because municipalities do not adhere to their end of the deal and do not pay the monthly payments to the pound or Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA), what (a) number of pounds and/or SPCAs had to close their doors in the past three years and (b) are the names of all municipalities in each province that do not have a pound and/or SPCA;

(2)      whether she will furnish Ms A M M Weber with the (a) names of all the municipalities that owe money related to pounds and (b) amount of money owed by each municipality?                                                                           **NW2080E**

**THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE, LAND REFORM AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT:**

1. The Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development (DALRRD) is not responsible for the National Animal Pounds Act, this is mainly under the jurisdiction of the Department of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs (COGTA). The information required on the implementation of this act may therefore be obtained from COGTA.

(a),(b) Falls away.

1. No.

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