# NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

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**Ms A T Khanyile (DA) to ask the Minister of Health:**

(1) With reference to the reply of the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs to question 1152 on 26 June 2018, what is the (a) current and (b) ideal ratio of environmental health inspectors to population size employed in each municipality in the country;

(2) what (a) was the number of environmental health inspectors (i) employed and (ii) required in each municipality in the country in the (aa) 2015-16, (bb) 2016-17 and (cc) 2017-18 financial years and (b) number of the employed inspectors were registered with the Health Professions Council of South Africa in each case?

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**REPLY:**

(1) (a) The current ratio of Environmental Health Practitioners (Inspectors) in each Municipality is as per **Table A** below:

1. The ideal ratio of environmental health inspectors to population size employed in each municipality in the country is in terms of the World Health Organisation and the National Environmental Health Policy one (1) Environmental Health Practitioner to service 10 000 people (1: 10 000).

(2) (a) The number of EHP

(i) Employed (**See Table A**)

(ii) Required in each Municipality in the country (**See Table A**)

(aa) 2015-16, (**See Table A**)

(bb) 2016-17 (**See Table A**); and

(cc) 2017-18 financial years (**See Table A**) and

(b) The number of employed inspectors (Environmental Health Practitioners) who were registered with the Health Professions Council of South Africa in each case is as tabled in **Table A** below.

END.