

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

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QUESTION 237

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237. Mr M K Montwedi (EFF) to ask the Minister of Police:

What action has been taken with regard to livestock that was stolen and recovered, but could not be returned to its owners in the past three financial years?

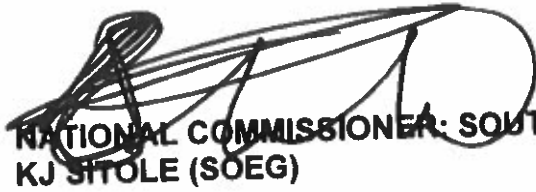
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REPLY:

Stolen and recovered livestock are impounded to the nearest, cheapest and safest pound for safe keeping and when:

- The livestock is marked by the owner, as obligated in terms of the Animal Identification Act, 2002 (Act No. 6 of 2002), the owner will be identifiable and located, as per the particulars of the registered identification mark with the Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development and the livestock will be handed over to the lawful owner.
- The livestock is not marked and consequently the lawful owner cannot be traced, the livestock will be dealt with, in terms of the relevant Provincial Pound Legislation or Ordinance, in that the livestock will be advertised in a provincial and local newspaper and also the intended sale of such stock by public auction, by the pound master.
- The livestock has been declared forfeited, the sale of the livestock is the responsibility of the South African Police Service (SAPS). The livestock must, as soon as reasonably possible, be sold at a public auction where livestock is usually bought and sold, by owners of livestock in the area. The livestock must be sold to the highest bidder, on the particular day, to the benefit of the State. The proceeds of the auction must first be used to defray any outstanding costs, in respect of the safekeeping of such livestock and the balance must be paid into the State Revenue Account.

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GENERAL BH CELE, MP

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