**3577. Mr M Bagraim (DA) to ask the Minister of Labour:**

Whether, she has found that the statement of the Chief Director of Labour Relations, Mr Thembinkosi Mkalipi, that if there is evidence that there are serious job losses due to the amendments of the Labour Relations Act, 66 of 191945, her department will have to look at the matter, although he is not sure whether that will fly politically, (a) constitutes political interference and (b) will contribute to the destruction of job creation; if not, why not in each case ; if so, will she make a statement on the matter? NW4244E

**MINISTER OF LABOUR REPLIED:**

Prior to the introduction of legislation and legislative amendments, the Department assess the socio-economic impact of legislation, including its impact on jobs and the labour market. This was done in respect of the amendments to the Labour Relations Act through a regulatory impact assessment conducted in 2010.