

**Dineo Martin - COMMENT VET & PARAVET PROF AMMENDMENT BILL**

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Good afternoon

My comments, which you invite, and which are not catered for in the amendment bill, are as follows:

1. SAVC are not Batho Pele orientated as are their UK counterparts. They refuse to advise or give guidance on study paths for persons who's ambition is to be a vet. A clause should be inserted to the effect that binds SAVC to provide study path guidance to those wishing to gain admission to a veterinary facility, or obtain tertiary credits towards admission to such facility.
2. That tertiary institution catering for Veterinary education should publish and enforce a demographic quota representative of the national demography. UP do not include gender in their published policy presently. In addition there is an absence of transparency in the selection process. This should be included in a section binding the applicable tertiary institution.
3. That tertiary institution catering for Veterinary education should give preference to persons with tertiary science bachelor qualifications over matriculants during the selection process to maintain the standard of veterinary medicine nationally, and to provide openings for applicants with proven tertiary track records, having a mind for tertiary failures amongst school graduates.

2 & 3 above apply to all tertiary science faculties but there is a need to legislate in a codified manner so that such clauses should be included in all head legislation such as this.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should clarification on these points be sought.

Kind regards

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'True evil can only subsist if good men see something wrong and do nothing about it!'