

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION 52**

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**Ms JC Klopper- Lourens (DA) TO ASK THE Minister of Basic Education:**

In respect of each of the seven most recent years for which information is available, (a) how many enquiries were conducted into educators for misconduct and (b) with regard to each enquiry whether the charges of misconduct was upheld, (i) what was the charge in each case, (ii) what was the penalty and (iii) what is the name of the educator concerned?

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**REPLY:**

(a)

- In 2006, 484 enquiries were conducted into educators for misconduct where 452 of them were upheld;
- In 2007, 411 enquiries were conducted where 269 of them were upheld
- In 2008, 700 enquiries were conducted where 522 of them were upheld.

(b)

(i) The charges conducted against the educators consist mainly of theft, acts of corruption, fraud, negligence, absenteeism, assault, rape, working while under the influence of liquor or intoxicating substance, etc.

(ii) The penalties ranged from a written warning to dismissal.

(iii) I cannot provide the names of the perpetrators concerned as records are with SACE and the various provincial departments of education.