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Mrs A T Lovemore (DA) to ask the Minister of Basic Education:

How many (a) complaints of sexual abuse of learners against teachers have been received by the SA Council for Educators (SACE) since 1 January 2010 and (b) of these complaints that SACE investigated to completion resulted in the dismissal of teachers? NO410E

Reply:

Hereunder is the total number of sexual abuse cases against teachers on learners that were received and processed during the financial years 2009/10, 2010/11 and 2011/12.

2009/10 85 Sexual cases received, and 58 finalised

- 12 educators were struck off indefinitely from the roll;
- 2 educators were struck off for a certain period, after which they may re-apply for admission back into the profession; and
- 44 educators were struck off, However, their striking off was suspended for a certain period on condition that they do not make themselves guilty of misconduct during the period of suspension.

2010/11 78 Sexual cases received, and 35 finalised

- 17 educators were struck off indefinitely from the roll;
- 4 educators were struck off for a certain period, after which they may re-apply for admission back into the profession; and
- 14 educators were struck off, However, their striking off was suspended for a certain period on condition that they do not make themselves guilty of misconduct during the period of suspension.

2011/12 126 Sexual cases received, and 43 finalised

- **38** educators were struck off indefinitely from the roll;
- **1** educator were struck off for a certain period, after which they may re-apply for admission back into the profession; and
- **4** educators were struck off, However, their striking off was suspended for a certain period on condition that they do not make themselves guilty of misconduct during the period of suspension.