

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES

QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY

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MR D A WORTH TO ASK THE MINISTER OF FINANCE:

Whether any MECs for Finance have submitted proposals for provincial (a) taxes, (b) levies and (c) duties to him in terms of (i) Section 228 of the Constitution and (ii) the Provincial Tax Regulation Process Act, Act 53 of 2001; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, (a) which provinces, (b) when in each case, (c) what specified (i) taxes, (ii) levies and (iii) duties did each propose and (d) what was his response in each case? **C140E**

REPLY:

MEC for Finance in Western Cape.

- (a) No.
- (b) Yes.
- (c) No.

The Western Cape fuel levy proposal is currently being considered in terms of the provisions of the Provincial Tax Regulation Process Act, Act No 53 of 2001. The prescribed input from the Budget Council should be obtained by June 2005, while the Financial and Fiscal Commission's comments are expected by July or August 2005. A decision with regard to the fuel levy proposal by the Western Cape Government will be made towards the end of this year.