

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**  
**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**  
**QUESTION NUMBER: 1287 [NW1391E]**  
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**1287. Ms M P Kobe (ActionSA) to ask the Minister of Finance:**

Whether the SA Policy Education Initiative, which is a non-profit organisation with registration number 305-228, is registered as a Public Benefit Organisation with the SA Revenue Service in terms of section 18A of the Income Tax Act, Act 58 of 1962; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what (a) is the current tax compliance status of the entity and (b) are the relevant details? NW1391E

**REPLY**

Given the requirement of confidentiality as provided in Section 69 of the Income Tax Act, SARS does not divulge details of entities on its register. In terms of these provisions, SARS is prevented from communicating any such tax matters to any person whatsoever other than the taxpayer concerned and/or his or her lawful representative.

SARS currently publishes on a weekly basis a list of section 18A approved Organizations on the website to adhere to section 69(8)(b)(ii) of the Tax Administration Act No.28 of 2011. To validate a taxpayer's section 18A status on SARS records, the information is available on the website for the public to search utilising the entities trading name.