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**SUBJECT: QUESTION POSED BY THE LEGISLATURE QUESTION 5. ED096**

### **PURPOSE:**

With regards to reply 5.ED014 of 2024, pertaining to the 3400 drivers providing school transport, could the MEC please indicate:

### **QUESTION 1:**

How many have received (a) police clearance certificates and (b) security screening?

### **ANSWER:**

All the 3400 drivers have the police clearance certificates as this was part of the requirements for the tendering process and they have all undergone the security screening as the terms of reference require this from all drivers.

### **QUESTION 2:**

How many of the 3400 drivers has his department now vetted against the Child Protection Register?

### **ANSWER:**

The responsibility of vetting drivers lies with the bus owners, as employers. The Department will request the companies to address this matter.

### **QUESTION 3:**

What amount is spent on school transport each year?

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**ANSWER:**

The amount spent on school transport each year is R1,7 billion.

**QUESTION 4:**

Whether this Department or any other department is responsible for the following (for each vehicle used to transport learners to and from school):

- Roadworthiness
- Proof of ownership
- Drivers licences
- Medical health certificate and
- Passenger liability cover?

**ANSWER:**

The Gauteng Department of Education is in partnership with various stakeholders to facilitate the provision of scholar transport and the responsibility for each function is indicated on the table below:

<b>FUNCTION</b>	<b>RESPONSIBLE DEPARTMENT</b>
<b>Roadworthiness</b>	Department of Community Safety
<b>Proof of ownership</b>	Department of Roads and Transport
<b>Drivers licences</b>	Municipalities
<b>Medical health certificate</b>	Department of Health
<b>Passenger liability cover</b>	Department of Education

**QUESTION 5:**

Whether the Department received reports regarding the status of each vehicle transporting learners? If so, please provide the reports?

**ANSWER:**

GDE has not received any status report for vehicles transporting learners as this is the competence of the Department of Community Safety.

Kind Regards



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