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Department:
Trade, Industry and Competition
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY

QUESTION NO. 7182

Mr P A van Staden (FF Plus) to ask the Minister of Trade, Industry and Competition:

Whether, with reference to the proposed inclusion of somatology and sports massage therapy under the Allied Health Professions Council of South Africa as an active regulatory initiative by the Government, published in the Government Gazette 53210 on 22 August 2025, his department has considered the impact of the regulations on (a) small businesses, (b) foreign investment and (c) the competitiveness in the industry; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details? NW8042E

REPLY:

The Department of Trade, Industry and Competition has not considered the proposed Regulations as it does not relate to- nor impact- the work of **the dtic**. However, the Department reiterates that business regulation in operation must be complied with.

With regards to the impact on small business, the question should be directed to the relevant Minister, as DSBD will be in a better position to respond.

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