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Municipality grading criteria

34. Mr D R Ryder (Gauteng: DA) to ask the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs

- (1) What criteria are applied when assessing applications for regrading of municipalities for the determination of upper limits of salaries, allowances and benefits of different members of municipal councils (details furnished);
- (2) why is there a discrepancy between the formulae for the criteria that is applied to senior managers and councillors in terms of the population size (details furnished)? CW35E

REPLY:

- (1) The Notice on the determination of the upper limits of salaries, allowances and benefits of different members of municipal councils (Councillors) require municipalities to apply the criteria of total population and total municipal income to determine the grade of municipal councils, which informs the remuneration to be paid to Councillors.

The Notice on the upper limits of the total remuneration packages payable to municipal managers and managers directly accountable to municipal managers (Senior Managers) require municipalities to apply the criteria of total population; total municipal income; and total municipal equitable share, which informs the remuneration to be paid to Senior Managers.

The Notices do not prescribe provisions for municipalities to apply for regrading when the grade of the municipality changes.

- (2) The remuneration frameworks, as set out in the Notices, utilise different sets of criteria, and therefore the weightings for population are not the same.

End.