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Mr. K. A. Sinclair (COPE-NC) to ask the Minister of Energy:

Whether he intends to introduce legislation pertaining to (a) conversion of petrol and diesel driven vehicles into electric driven vehicles similar to California's conversion registration or (b) self-constructed electric vehicles; if not, what is the position in this regard, if so, (i) when and (ii) what are the further relevant details?

Reply

(a) & (b) At this stage we are still doing a research into the electric vehicle and its applicability in the South African context. SANEDI, Eskom and others are involved in this research, in collaboration with the private sector.

Until there is clarity regarding the prospects and timing of the introduction of the electric vehicle, it is premature to be considering the introduction of legislation or other regulatory instruments in that regard.