



**MINISTRY: PUBLIC SERVICE AND ADMINISTRATION
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA**

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES

QUESTION FOR ORAL REPLY

QUESTION NO.: 123.

Mr J M Mthethwa (KwaZulu-Natal: ANC) to ask the Minister of Public Service and Administration:

Whether any measures are in place to establish a single public service; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details? CO337E

REPLY

The conceptual debate on the Single Public Service has culminated with the signing into law of the Public Administration Management Act, No 11 of 2014 (hereafter referred to as the 'PAM Act'). The PAM Act establishes a uniform system of public administration in all three spheres of government by promoting and further entrenching the values and principles governing the public administration in section 195 (1) of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa.

Section 20 of the PAM Act allows the President to determine effective dates for the different provisions thus allowing for a staggered approach in operationalising the Act.

The Department of Public Service and Administration has commenced work on the drafting of Regulations under the Public Administration Management Act, 2014 (the Act) and has Gazetted the first set of draft regulations for public comment. The first set of draft Regulations focus on Sections 8 and 9 of the Act.