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### **MEC FRAZER SEEKS TO TAKE LEGAL ACTION AGAINST SCAMMERS ON SOCIAL MEDIA**

The MEC for Education in KwaZulu-Natal, Ms. Mbali Frazer, has been greatly disturbed upon learning of several social media accounts that have been created by individuals using her name.

The criminals responsible for fabricating these fake accounts are deceitfully trying to extract money from unsuspecting individuals by falsely promising non-existent positions within the KwaZulu-Natal Department of Education.

"First and foremost, we are dealing with a clear case of identity theft, as these individuals are impersonating me. Moreover, they are shamelessly attempting to defraud unsuspecting job seekers, which is an additional criminal offense," said MEC Frazer.

"It is disheartening to witness that even in this day and age, our society still harbours unscrupulous individuals who would stoop so low as to exploit job seekers in such a manner," MEC Frazer added.

The KZN Department of Education has an established system for advertising vacant positions, which is accessible to all, free of charge.

"You don't have to pay a cent to apply for a job in the Department of Education," said MEC Frazer.

MEC Frazer intends to seek legal counsel regarding the appropriate actions to be taken against the perpetrators who are behind this despicable act.

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