

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Question: 138

Division/Agency: Grape and Wine Research and Development Corporation

Topic: Creation of Australian Grape and Wine Authority

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Senator STERLE asked:

1. The Minister reintroduced Grape and Wine Legislation Amendment (Australian Grape and Wine Authority) Bill 2013 to create the Australian Grape and Wine Authority. Has the Legislation been amended in anyway?

2. Will the new authority still commence its operation on 1 July 2014?

Answer:

Grape and Wine Research and Development Corporation believes there are no amendments.

The legislation will commence on 1 July 2014.

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Division/Agency: Agricultural Productivity Division/Grape and Wine Research and Development Corporation

Topic: Funding

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Senator STERLE asked:

Grape and wine was budgeted to receive \$11.6m in 13/14. Is that continuing funding?

Answer:

Grape and Wine Research and Development Corporation (GWRDC) receives Commonwealth matching income in accordance with Section 30 of the Primary Industries and Energy Research and Development Act 1989.

The level of funding provided to GWRDC is contingent on levies collected on the production of grape and wine and expenditure on research and development.