STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 57th Legislature (2019)

SENATE BILL NO. 810 By: Bice

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to Oklahoma wine industry; creating the Oklahoma Wine Industry Development Commission; providing short title; providing for membership appointment and terms; setting duties and responsibilities; authorizing appropriation; creating the Oklahoma Grape and Wine Industry Development Revolving Fund; providing for deposits and expenditures; stating purpose; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 7-100 of Title 37A, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

There is hereby created the Oklahoma Wine Industry Development Commission to be regulated by the Commissioner of the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food and Forestry. The membership of the Commission shall be appointed by the Commissioner of the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food and Forestry from the recognized state leaders operating small farm wineries located in this state. The membership of the Commission shall not exceed seven (7) members.

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Members shall receive no compensation or travel reimbursements for their service. The term of appointment of members to the Commission shall be established by the Commissioner. The Commission shall have the duty and responsibility to serve as an advisory body responsible for developing a statewide long-term plan and marketing strategy for Oklahoma small farm wineries and the grape and wine production industry of this state. The Commission shall provide guidance to the Commissioner of Agriculture, Food and Forestry in creating a method to generate and obtain grant funds for distribution to Oklahoma small farm wineries under an established annual budget and plan for distributing such funds to develop the grape and wine industry in this state.

The Legislature may appropriate an amount of initial funds to establish the grant program authorized in this section, subject to availability of funds.

SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 7-101 of Title 37A, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

There is hereby created in the State Treasury a revolving fund for the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food and Forestry to be designated the "Oklahoma Grape and Wine Industry Development Revolving Fund". The fund shall be a continuing fund, not subject to fiscal year limitations, and shall consist of all monies received by the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food and Forestry from

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appropriations, grants, gifts, supplemental fees added to ABLE Commission alcoholic beverage licenses and other monies received or designated to support the Oklahoma grape and wine industry. monies accruing to the credit of the fund are hereby appropriated and may be budgeted and expended by the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food and Forestry for the purpose of providing grants to Oklahoma small farm wineries and the grape and wine industry in this state. Expenditures from the fund shall be made upon warrants issued by the State Treasurer against claims filed as prescribed by law with the Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services for approval and payment.

SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2019.

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