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SENATE BILL 1119

Short Title: Grape Promotion Funds Nonreverting.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senator Ballance.

Referred to: Appropriations.

June 3, 1992

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT FUNDS CREDITED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FROM THE EXCISE TAX ON WINE FOR PROMOTION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA GRAPE AND WINE INDUSTRY DO NOT REVERT TO THE GENERAL FUND AT THE END OF EACH FISCAL YEAR.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 105-113.81A reads as rewritten:

"§ 105-113.81A. (Effective until June 30, 1997) Distribution of part of wine taxes attributable to North Carolina wine.

The Secretary shall on a quarterly basis credit to the Department of Agriculture ninety-four percent (94%) of the net proceeds of the excise tax collected on unfortified wine bottled in North Carolina during the previous quarter and ninety-five percent (95%) of the net proceeds of the excise tax collected on fortified wine bottled in North Carolina during the previous quarter, provided that the amount credited to the Department of Agriculture under this section shall not exceed ninety thousand dollars (\$90,000) per fiscal year. The Department of Agriculture shall allocate the funds received under this section to the North Carolina Grape Growers Council to be used to promote the North Carolina grape and wine industry and to contract for research and development services to improve viticultural and enological practices in North Carolina. Funds credited to the Department of Agriculture under this section that are not expended at the end of each fiscal year do not revert to the General Fund but shall remain available to the Department for use as provided in this section."

Sec. 2. This act becomes effective June 30, 1992, and expires June 30, 1997.