

175A.3 Administration.

1. The department shall administer this chapter and shall do all of the following:

a. Establish and administer grape and wine development programs as provided in section 175A.4 and account for and expend moneys from the grape and wine development fund created pursuant to section 175A.5. Prior to authorizing an expenditure of moneys, the department shall consult with the grape and wine development commission. The commission shall make recommendations to the department regarding the expenditure of moneys to enhance and develop the native wine industry and to provide an infrastructure to encourage the growth of the native wine industry in this state.

b. Report to the commission regarding the status of grape and wine development, including information regarding persons receiving assistance under grape and wine development programs as provided in section 175A.4 and the status of the grape and wine development fund as provided in section 175A.5.

c. Provide facilities for the commission to meet and carry out its powers and duties as provided in this section, including by staffing commission meetings.

d. Adopt all rules necessary to administer this chapter.

2. The grape and wine development commission shall oversee the administration of this chapter by the department and shall do all of the following:

a. Monitor conditions, practices, policies, and programs affecting the grape and wine development in this state.

b. Establish mutually beneficial relationships with local, state, and federal governmental agencies and local, regional, and national associations representing growers and winemakers.

c. Contract with a viticulturist or oenologist to provide technical assistance under grape and wine development programs as provided in section 175A.4.

d. Approve or disapprove applications for financial assistance under grape and wine development programs as provided in section 175A.4, after departmental review and recommendation and in accordance with rules adopted pursuant to this chapter. The department shall adopt rules for awarding moneys to persons submitting proposals, including procedures for submitting applications and criteria for selecting proposals.

e. Propose rules for adoption by the department pursuant to chapter 17A required for the administration of this chapter.

f. Make recommendations to the department regarding a proposed expenditure of funds as provided in subsection 1, paragraph "a".

2001 Acts, ch 162, §4; 2002 Acts, ch 1119, §27; 2005 Acts, ch 113, §2, 3