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THE SENATE

Australian Wine and Brandy Corporation
Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2007

(Amendment to be moved by Senator Murray on behalf of Australian Democrats in committee of the whole)

(1) Schedule 1, page 3 (after line 21), after item 4, insert:

4A After section 13

Insert:

13A Procedures for merit selection of appointments under this Act

(1) The Minister must by writing determine a code of practice for selecting and appointing members of the Corporation that sets out, in addition to the requirements outlined in subsection 13(4) and the guidance outlined in section 29F, general principles on which the selection is to be made, including but not limited to:

(a) merit; and
(b) independent scrutiny of appointments; and
(c) probity; and
(d) openness and transparency.

(2) After determining a code of practice under subsection (1), the Minister must publish the code in the Gazette.

(3) The Minister must review a code of practice determined under subsection (1) not later than every fifth anniversary after the code has been determined.

(4) In reviewing a code of practice, the Minister must invite the public to comment on the code.

(5) A code of practice determined under subsection (1) is a legislative instrument for the purposes of the Legislative Instruments Act 2003.

(2) Schedule 1, page 3 (after line 25), after item 6, insert:
6A Paragraph 29B(a)

Repeal the paragraph, substitute:

(a) to select, consistent with the code of practice determined pursuant to subsection 13A(1), persons to be nominated for appointment as members of the Corporation referred to in paragraph 13(1)(c); and

[merit selection]