

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

**Budget Estimates 2013-14, 5/6 & 7 June 2013**

**Question: E13-022**

**OUTCOME:** 1 – Population Health

**Topic:** Alcohol Labelling

**Type of Question:** Written Question on Notice

**Senator:** Crossin

**Question:**

At the end of the two year voluntary period does FoFR intend to mandate the adoption of the Drinkwise consumer information labels that have been found to be ineffective, weak and ambiguous by the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Social Policy and Legal Affairs? Or will Government work to develop label standards that are effective and evidence-based?

**Answer:**

At the end of the two year voluntary period results from the project to evaluate action taken by the alcohol industry in placing pregnancy warnings on alcohol products will inform any future action by government in relation to pregnancy warnings on alcohol labels.

Further information about the evaluation is provided in the response to Question E13-021.