

Questions taken on notice and further information agreed to be supplied at the hearings.

Portfolio:	Creative Industries
Witness:	The Hon Danny Pearson
Committee Member:	Mr Sam Hibbins
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Relevant text:

In the short time that I have got available, can you provide more details on the funding for the Melbourne International Film Festival and whether any of this funding will include funds for the Premiere Fund, which supports the film industry? ..... Firstly, will any of it be made available for the international film festival's Premiere Fund, which goes towards supporting the film industry?

Answer:

The 2021/22 State Budget allocated \$3.245 million over four years to "Support the revitalisation of Melbourne International Film Festival to propel it into a new era, including establishing a new international film prize". This is part of action 8 of Victoria's Screen Industry Strategy 2021-2025, VICSCREEN.

This is in addition to current funding for 37 South film financing market and the Premiere Fund. The level of funding support is subject to final contract arrangements.