

ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

K.A.R. 115-18-18. Hand fishing permit; requirements, restrictions, and permit duration.

DESCRIPTION: This new permanent regulation establishes the hand fishing permit. As part of a larger regulatory package involving hand fishing, a hand fishing permit would be required to hand fish for flathead catfish during open seasons and in waters designated in K.A.R. 115-25-14.

FEDERAL MANDATE: None.

ECONOMIC IMPACT: The proposed regulation regarding the hand fishing permit is a result of a petition by anglers interested in the opportunity to hand fish. It is part of a larger regulatory package for fishing being proposed. As this is an entirely new opportunity, any amount generated that would accrue to the wildlife fee fund would be purely speculative at this time. However, the proposed permit would be established at a price of \$25. Otherwise, no substantial economic impact to the department, other state agencies or members of the public is anticipated.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED: None.