

ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

K.A.R. 115-7-9. Weigh-in black bass fishing tournaments not using tournament black bass pass.

DESCRIPTION: This new permanent regulation sets weigh-in procedures for all black bass fishing tournaments, except those using the tournament black bass pass. The proposed amendments are designed to protect the black bass that are the target of the weigh-in tournaments. The biologically based procedural requirements for the weigh-in are the same as those already required when using the tournament black bass pass in regulation K.A.R. 115-7-8.

FEDERAL MANDATE: None.

ECONOMIC IMPACT: There will be some economic impact to tournament organizers who are not currently using the tournament weigh-in procedures as they will have to acquire the necessary implements to properly conduct the weigh-in. Otherwise, it is anticipated that there would be no substantive economic impact to the department, other state agencies, or the public.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED: None.