ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

K.A.R. 115-2-3a. Cabin camping permit fees.

DESCRIPTION: This regulation establishes fees for cabin camping within the state parks, state fishing lakes and wildlife areas. Previously, cabin use at state parks was limited to primitive cabins that were converted from picnic shelters by local managers. Since then, cabin demand by the public within the state parks has increased considerably. As such, the Department and local citizen support groups have responded and implemented cabin projects throughout the state parks, state fishing lakes and wildlife areas and the cabin program has proved highly successful. Prices are based on location, size and accommodations within the actual cabins. The proposed changes take into account some potential new cabin locations throughout department lands that will come on line in FY 11 and FY 12 and some minor adjustments in current cabin fees, both increases and decreases to reflect current demand.

FEDERAL MANDATE: None.

ECONOMIC IMPACT: The proposed regulation is adding new locations for cabins that are or may be in the process of being installed this coming calendar year. Therefore, the amendments are not anticipated to have any appreciable economic impact on the department, the public, small businesses or other agencies. However, as the cabins continue to rise in popularity and the department recoups the initial investment in all cabins, the implementation of the regulation will have a cumulative effect of increasing cabin fund revenue but any amount would be purely speculative at this time.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED: None.