

ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

115-14-11. Falconry; general provisions.

DESCRIPTION: This new administrative regulation sets general provisions for falconry. The provisions contained in the previous regulation as well as provisions from federal regulations are included in the new regulation. The provisions include hunting license requirements, take of certain species, abatement activities, feather disposal, carcass disposal, conservation education programs, rehabilitation, and hunting seasons.

FEDERAL MANDATE: The practice of falconry and the management of raptors as migratory species is governed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Any state falconry program must be approved by the USFWS and must operate within federal limits. Kansas has had a federally-approved program since 1988. The opportunity exists to move from a dual management system to a state-only managed system with federal oversight.

ECONOMIC IMPACT: The proposed regulation is not anticipated to have any appreciable economic impact on the department, other agencies, small businesses or the public.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED: None.