

ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

K.A.R. 115-7-3. Fish; taking of bait fish or minnows.

DESCRIPTION: This permanent regulation establishes provisions applicable to taking and use of bait fish in Kansas. The proposed amendments would allow taking and use of live baitfish within a drainage except from a designated aquatic nuisance species water, allow the taking and use of bluegill and green sunfish to be used as baitfish anywhere in the state except if taken from a designated aquatic nuisance species water, and restrict importation of out of state baitfish unless they meet the same criteria as Kansas commercial baitfish sales. The purpose of proposed amendments is to attempt to prevent the further spread of aquatic nuisance species.

FEDERAL MANDATE: None.

ECONOMIC IMPACT: The proposed amendments are not anticipated to have any substantive economic impact to the department, other state agencies, small businesses, or the public.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED: No alternative amendments are being considered at this time.