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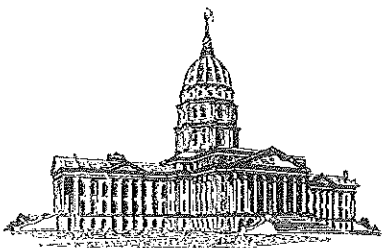
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Mr. Robin Jennison, Secretary
Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism
1020 S. Kansas Avenue, Room 200
Topeka, KS 66612

CORRECTED

Dear Secretary Jennison:

At its meeting on August 10, 2015, the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules and Regulations reviewed for public comment rules and regulations concerning KAR 115-1-1, definitions; KAR 115-2-1, amount of fees; KAR 115-4-11, big game and wild turkey permit applications; KAR 115-4-13, deer permits, descriptions and restrictions; KAR 115-7-1, fishing, legal equipment, methods of taking, and other provisions; KAR 115-7-10, fishing, special provisions; KAR 115-25-14, fishing, creel limit, size limit, possession limit, and open season. After discussion, the Committee had the following comment.

KAR 115-2-1. The Committee believes the proposed fee increases are excessive and would discourage hunting and fishing in Kansas, and it requests the Commission consider lowering the amounts currently proposed or phasing in the increases over several years.

Prior to filing with the Secretary of State, review the history sections of the rules and regulations to update them to the most recent statutory citations, making certain the citations for authorizing and implementing statutes are correct and complete. Please indicate your agency's website address in the filing notice where proposed regulations can be located. In addition, if your agency accepts written comments by e-mail include this information in the public notice. Further, e-mail requests for public accommodation should be included as a part of the notice. Finally, verify that the adoption by reference of any materials included in the regulations is properly completed as prescribed in the Policy and Procedure Manual for the Adoption of Kansas Administrative Regulations.

Please make this letter a part of the public record on these regulations. The Committee will review the regulations the agency ultimately adopts, and reserves any expression of legislative concern to that review.

To assist in that final review:

Also, please indicate separately to the Joint Committee and me, any changes made to the proposed regulations reviewed by the Committee.

Based upon direction from the Committee, failure to respond to each and every comment contained in this letter may result in the request that a spokesperson from your agency appear before the Committee to explain the agency's failure to reply.

Sincerely,



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Director

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