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 new cabin locations throughout department lands that will come on line in FY 08 and FY 09. In addition, Cheney State Park would be increasing prices for cabins by \$10 per night, Eisenhower State Park would be offering the addition longer term use at reduced prices for the primitive cabin and yurts, Kanopolis would be increasing prices by \$10 per night and Webster State Park would be reducing the fees for use of the cabin in an attempt to stimulate use of the cabin.

FEDERAL MANDATE: None.

ECONOMIC IMPACT: The proposed regulation is adding new locations and offering longer term stays at locations for cabins that are in the process of being installed this coming calendar year, as well as increasing fees in two locations and reducing fees in one location. Therefore, the amendments are not anticipated to have any appreciable economic impact on the department, the public 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.