

ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

115-14-14. Falconry; taking, banding, transporting, and possessing raptors.

DESCRIPTION: This administrative regulation details taking, banding, transporting and possessing raptors. The proposed amendment is necessary to conform with federal law related to possession of raptors and relates to banding and marking of captive bred raptors.

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 and moved from a dual management system to a state-only managed system with federal oversight this year.

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.