

SESSION OF 2005

SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2115

As Recommended by House Committee on
Wildlife, Parks and Tourism

Brief*

HB 2115 would repeal KSA 2004 Supp 32-937 (o) which creates not less than nine archery management units.

Background

The Chief Legal Counsel for the Department of Wildlife and Parks, a proponent of the bill, testified that subsection (o) was added in statute in the 2004 Legislative Session and required the Department of Wildlife and Parks to create a minimum of nine archery units within the state for the purpose of allocating archery deer permits on a unit by unit basis. He stated that the purpose of adding subsection (o) was to reallocate landowner transferable nonresident archery permits to guarantee some of the permits would be available in all areas of the state. Resident and nonresident archery permit holders have long had unlimited ability to hunt on a statewide basis.

Other proponents included individual citizens, members of the Kansas Bowhunter's Association, a resident bowhunter, and a representative of the Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks Commission. A representative of the Kansas Outfitters Association suggested amendments to the bill.

The Division of Budget fiscal note states that the passage of HB 2115 would eliminate the one-time expenditures necessary for completing the conversion of statewide archery deer hunting permits to specific units. These expenditures would include \$5,967 for computer programming and \$1,650 for printing applications. A total of \$7,617 would be saved should the bill pass. If the bill passes, but not in time

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for publication in the *Kansas Register* by April 21, there will be no savings.