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**TITLE 312 NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION**

**Economic Impact Statement**

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**[IC 4-22-2.1-5](#) Statement Concerning Rules Affecting Small Businesses**

**Estimated Number of Small Businesses Subject to This Rule:**

None.

**Estimated Average Annual Reporting, Record Keeping, and Other Administrative Costs Small Businesses Will Incur For Compliance:**

None.

**Estimated Total Annual Economic Impact on Small Businesses To Comply:**

None.

**Justification Statement of Requirement or Cost:**

N/A.

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis of Alternative Methods:**

The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has the statutory requirement to provide for the protection, reproduction, care, management, survival, and regulation of wild animal populations in [IC 14-22-2-3](#). Furthermore, the DNR has the statutory authority to allow the taking, possession, and sale of wild animals and to establish the methods, locations, and means of taking wild animals, including fish, in [IC 14-22-2-6](#). The Natural Resources Commission has the statutory authority to adopt rules pursuant to [IC 14-10-2-4](#). The definition of wild animal in [IC 14-8-2-318](#) includes fish. The sale of fish taken from public waters is not allowed under [IC 14-22-9-7](#) with the exception of fish taken by a commercial fishing license or roe harvesters license issued under [IC 14-22-13](#). These proposed rule amendments do not affect licensed commercial fishers, roe harvesters, or other businesses. There are no new reporting, record keeping, or other administrative costs for small businesses as the result of these proposed rule amendments.

There are no market-oriented approaches needed or available since there are no requirements for small businesses.

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