

## Rule Summary and Fiscal Analysis

### Part A - General Questions

**Rule Number:** 1501:31-13-11

**Rule Type:** Amendment

**Rule Title/Tagline:** Special Ohio river fishing regulations.

**Agency Name:** Department of Natural Resources

**Division:** Division of Wildlife

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#### I. Rule Summary

1. Is this a five year rule review? Yes
  - A. What is the rule's five year review date? 8/12/2019
2. Is this rule the result of recent legislation? No
3. What statute is this rule being promulgated under? 119.03
4. What statute(s) grant rule writing authority? 1531.06, 1531.08, 1531.10
5. What statute(s) does the rule implement or amplify? 1531.06, 1531.08, 1531.10, 1533.02
6. What are the reasons for proposing the rule?

This rule establishes the fishing regulations for the eastern and western fishing units of the Ohio River.
7. Summarize the rule's content, and if this is an amended rule, also summarize the rule's changes.

It is proposed to amend this rule by reducing the combined daily bag limit of sauger, saugeye or walleye from ten to six in the eastern and western fishing units of the

Ohio River. Additionally, it is proposed to establish a fourteen inch minimum length limit on sauger, saugeye and walleye in the western fishing unit of the Ohio River. The Division of Wildlife manages Ohio River fisheries cooperatively with other states that border the Ohio River. The Kentucky Department of Wildlife Resources has recently reduced the combined daily bag limit from ten fish to six fish and have implemented a fourteen inch minimum length limit. The proposed change will align Ohio regulations with Kentucky regulations in the western fishing unit of the Ohio River. West Virginia is proposing a reduced combined daily bag limit from ten fish to six fish, with no minimum length limit. The proposed change will provide a consistent set of regulations in the eastern fishing unit of the Ohio River.

8. **Does the rule incorporate material by reference?** No
9. **If the rule incorporates material by reference and the agency claims the material is exempt pursuant to R.C. 121.71 to 121.76, please explain the basis for the exemption and how an individual can find the referenced material.**

*Not Applicable*

10. **If revising or re-filing the rule, please indicate the changes made in the revised or re-filed version of the rule.**

*Not Applicable*

## **II. Fiscal Analysis**

11. **As a result of this proposed rule, please estimate the increase / decrease in revenues or expenditures affecting this agency, or the state generally, in the current biennium or future years. If the proposed rule is likely to have a different fiscal effect in future years, please describe the expected difference and operation.**

This will have no impact on revenues or expenditures.

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This change will not affect fees, require additional personnel, or require additional equipment. This rule modification will have no impact on the agencies revenue or expenditures.

12. **What are the estimated costs of compliance for all persons and/or organizations directly affected by the rule?**

This change will not affect current or require additional licenses, permits, or fees. It will not require any costs for compliance.

- 13. Does the rule increase local government costs? (If yes, you must complete an RSFA Part B). No
- 14. Does the rule regulate environmental protection? (If yes, you must complete an RSFA Part C). No

### **III. Common Sense Initiative (CSI) Questions**

- 15. Was this rule filed with the Common Sense Initiative Office? No
- 16. Does this rule have an adverse impact on business? No
  - A. Does this rule require a license, permit, or any other prior authorization to engage in or operate a line of business? No
  - B. Does this rule impose a criminal penalty, a civil penalty, or another sanction, or create a cause of action, for failure to comply with its terms? No
  - C. Does this rule require specific expenditures or the report of information as a condition of compliance? No