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1 AN ACT Relating to economic and employment impact of natural  
2 resources harvest variation in rural communities; amending RCW  
3 43.31.601, 43.31.611, 43.31.621, 43.31.641, 50.22.090, 43.31.651,  
4 43.63A.600, 43.63A.440, 43.160.076, 28B.50.030, 28B.50.258, 28B.50.262,  
5 28B.80.570, 28B.80.575, 28B.80.580, 28B.80.585, 43.17.065, 43.20A.750,  
6 43.21J.010, 43.168.020, 43.168.140, 43.210.110, 50.12.270, 50.70.010,  
7 and 50.70.020; amending 1993 c 316 s 5 (uncodified); amending 1993 c  
8 320 s 10 (uncodified); amending 1993 c 316 s 7 (uncodified); amending  
9 1993 c 320 s 11 (uncodified); reenacting and amending RCW 43.160.020  
10 and 43.160.200; adding a new section to chapter 43.63A RCW; adding new  
11 sections to chapter 43.131 RCW; creating new sections; repealing RCW  
12 43.31.661 and 43.31.631; providing an effective date; and declaring an  
13 emergency.

14 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

15 **Sec. 1.** RCW 43.31.601 and 1992 c 21 s 2 are each amended to read  
16 as follows:

17 For the purposes of RCW 43.31.601 through 43.31.661:

18 (1) (~~"Board" means the economic recovery coordination board;~~

19 ~~(2)) "Timber impact area" means((÷~~

1       ~~(a))~~ a county having a population of less than five hundred  
2 thousand, or a city or town located within a county having a population  
3 of less than five hundred thousand, and meeting two of the following  
4 three criteria, as determined by the employment security department,  
5 for the most recent year such data is available: ~~((+i))~~ (a) A lumber  
6 and wood products employment location quotient at or above the state  
7 average; ~~((+ii))~~ (b) projected or actual direct lumber and wood  
8 products job losses of one hundred positions or more, except counties  
9 having a population greater than two hundred thousand but less than  
10 five hundred thousand must have direct lumber and wood products job  
11 losses of one thousand positions or more; or ~~((+iii))~~ (c) an annual  
12 unemployment rate twenty percent or more above the state average~~((+or~~  
13       ~~(b) Additional communities as the economic recovery coordinating~~  
14 ~~board, established in RCW 43.31.631, designates based on a finding by~~  
15 ~~the board that each designated community is socially and economically~~  
16 ~~integrated with areas that meet the definition of a timber impact area~~  
17 ~~under (a) of this subsection)).~~

18       (2)(a) "Rural natural resources impact area" means:

19       (i) A nonmetropolitan county, as defined by the 1990 decennial  
20 census, that meets two of the five criteria set forth in (b) of this  
21 subsection; or

22       (ii) A nonurbanized area, as defined by the 1990 decennial census,  
23 that is located in a metropolitan county that meets two of the five  
24 criteria set forth in (b) of this subsection.

25       (b) For the purposes of designating rural natural resources impact  
26 areas, the following criteria shall be considered:

27       (i) A lumber and wood products employment location quotient at or  
28 above the state average;

29       (ii) A commercial salmon fishing employment location quotient at or  
30 above the state average;

31       (iii) Projected or actual direct lumber and wood products job  
32 losses of one hundred positions or more;

33       (iv) Projected or actual direct commercial salmon fishing job  
34 losses of one hundred positions or more; and

35       (v) An unemployment rate twenty percent or more above the state  
36 average.

37       The counties that meet these criteria shall be determined by the  
38 employment security department for the most recent year for which data  
39 is available. For the purposes of administration of programs under

1 this chapter, the United States post office five-digit zip code  
2 delivery areas will be used to determine residence status for  
3 eligibility purposes. For the purpose of this definition, a zip code  
4 delivery area that is located wholly or partially in an urbanized area  
5 or within two miles of an urbanized area is considered urbanized. The  
6 office of financial management shall make available a zip code listing  
7 of the areas to all agencies and organizations providing services under  
8 this chapter.

9       **Sec. 2.** RCW 43.31.611 and 1993 c 316 s 1 are each amended to read  
10 as follows:

11       (1) The governor shall appoint a ~~((timber-recovery))~~ rural  
12 community assistance coordinator. The coordinator shall coordinate the  
13 state and federal economic and social programs targeted to ~~((timber))~~  
14 rural natural resources impact areas.

15       (2) The coordinator's responsibilities shall include but not be  
16 limited to:

17       (a) ~~((Serving as executive secretary of the economic recovery~~  
18 ~~coordination board and directing staff associated with the board.~~

19       ~~((b))~~ Chairing the agency ~~((timber))~~ rural community assistance  
20 task force and directing staff associated with the task force.

21       ~~((c))~~ (b) Coordinating and maximizing the impact of state and  
22 federal assistance to ~~((timber))~~ rural natural resources impact areas.

23       ~~((d))~~ (c) Coordinating and expediting programs to assist  
24 ~~((timber))~~ rural natural resources impact areas.

25       ~~((e))~~ (d) Providing the legislature with a status and impact  
26 report on the ~~((timber-recovery))~~ rural community assistance program in  
27 January ~~((1992))~~ 1996.

28       (3) To assist in carrying out the duties set out under this  
29 section, the coordinator shall consult with the Washington state rural  
30 development council and may appoint an advisory body that has  
31 representation from local governments and natural resources interest  
32 groups representing impacted rural communities.

33       (4) This section shall expire June 30, ~~((1995))~~ 1997.

34       **Sec. 3.** RCW 43.31.621 and 1994 c 264 s 18 are each amended to read  
35 as follows:

36       (1) There is established the agency ~~((timber))~~ rural community  
37 assistance task force. The task force shall be chaired by the ((timber

1 ~~recovery~~) rural community assistance coordinator. It shall be the  
2 responsibility of the coordinator that all directives of chapter 314,  
3 Laws of 1991 are carried out expeditiously by the agencies represented  
4 in the task force. The task force shall consist of the directors, or  
5 representatives of the directors, of the following agencies: The  
6 department of community, trade, and economic development, employment  
7 security department, department of social and health services, state  
8 board for community and technical colleges, ~~((state))~~ work force  
9 training and education coordinating board, ~~((or its replacement~~  
10 ~~entity,))~~ department of natural resources, department of  
11 transportation, state energy office, department of fish and wildlife,  
12 University of Washington center for international trade in forest  
13 products, department of agriculture, and department of ecology. The  
14 task force shall solicit and consider input from the rural development  
15 council in coordinating agency programs targeted to rural natural  
16 resources impacted communities. The task force may consult and enlist  
17 the assistance of the following: The higher education coordinating  
18 board, University of Washington college of forest resources, University  
19 of Washington school of fisheries, Washington State University school  
20 of forestry, Northwest policy center, state superintendent of public  
21 instruction, Washington state labor council, the Evergreen partnership,  
22 Washington state association of counties, and ~~((rural development~~  
23 ~~council))~~ others as needed.

24 (2) The task force, in conjunction with the rural development  
25 council, shall undertake a study to determine whether additional  
26 communities and industries are impacted, or are likely to be impacted,  
27 by salmon preservation and recovery efforts. The task force shall  
28 consider possible impacts in the following industries and associated  
29 communities: Barge transportation, irrigation dependent agriculture,  
30 food processing, aluminum, charter recreational fishing, boatbuilding,  
31 and other sectors suggested by the task force. The task force shall  
32 report its findings and recommendations to the legislature by January  
33 1996.

34 (3) This section shall expire June 30, ~~((1995))~~ 1997.

35 **Sec. 4.** RCW 43.31.641 and 1993 c 280 s 50 are each amended to read  
36 as follows:

1 The department of community, trade, and economic development, as a  
2 member of the agency (~~(timber)~~) rural community assistance task force  
3 (~~(and in consultation with the board)~~), shall:

4 (1) Implement an expanded value-added forest products development  
5 industrial extension program. The department shall provide technical  
6 assistance to small and medium-sized forest products companies to  
7 include:

8 (a) Secondary manufacturing product development;

9 (b) Plant and equipment maintenance;

10 (c) Identification and development of domestic market  
11 opportunities;

12 (d) Building products export development assistance;

13 (e) At-risk business development assistance;

14 (f) Business network development; and

15 (g) Timber impact area industrial diversification.

16 (2) Provide local contracts for small and medium-sized forest  
17 product companies, start-ups, and business organizations for business  
18 feasibility, market development, and business network contracts that  
19 will benefit value-added production efforts in the industry.

20 (3) Contract with local business organizations in timber impact  
21 areas for development of programs to promote industrial  
22 diversification. The department shall provide local capacity-building  
23 grants to local governments and community-based organizations in timber  
24 impact areas, which may include long-range planning and needs  
25 assessments.

26 For the 1991-93 biennium, the department of community, trade, and  
27 economic development shall use funds appropriated for this section for  
28 contracts and for no more than two additional staff positions.

29 **Sec. 5.** RCW 50.22.090 and 1993 c 316 s 10 are each amended to read  
30 as follows:

31 (1) An additional benefit period is established for (~~(counties~~  
32 ~~identified under subsection (2) of this section beginning on the first~~  
33 ~~Sunday after July 1, 1991, and for the forest products industry~~  
34 ~~beginning with the third week after the first Sunday after July 1,~~  
35 ~~1991)) rural natural resources impact areas, defined in RCW 43.31.601,  
36 and determined by the office of financial management and the employment  
37 security department. Benefits shall be paid as provided in subsection~~

1 (3) of this section to exhaustees eligible under subsection (4) of this  
2 section.

3 ~~(2) ((The additional benefit period applies to counties having a  
4 population of less than five hundred thousand beginning with the third  
5 week after a week in which the commissioner determines that a county  
6 meets two of the following three criteria, as determined by the  
7 department, for the most recent year in which such data is available:  
8 (a) A lumber and wood products employment location quotient at or above  
9 the state average; (b) projected or actual direct lumber and wood  
10 products job losses of one hundred positions or more, except counties  
11 having a population greater than two hundred thousand but less than  
12 five hundred thousand must have direct lumber and wood products job  
13 losses of one thousand positions or more; or (c) an annual unemployment  
14 rate twenty percent or more above the state average.))~~ The additional  
15 benefit period for a county may end no sooner than fifty-two weeks  
16 after the additional benefit period begins.

17 (3) Additional benefits shall be paid as follows:

18 (a) No new claims for additional benefits shall be accepted for  
19 weeks beginning after July 1, ~~((1995))~~ 1997, but for claims established  
20 on or before July 1, ~~((1995))~~ 1997, weeks of unemployment occurring  
21 after July 1, ~~((1995))~~ 1997, shall be compensated as provided in this  
22 section.

23 (b) The total additional benefit amount shall be one hundred four  
24 times the individual's weekly benefit amount, reduced by the total  
25 amount of regular benefits and extended benefits paid, or deemed paid,  
26 with respect to the benefit year. Additional benefits shall not be  
27 payable for weeks more than two years beyond the end of the benefit  
28 year of the regular claim for an individual whose benefit year ends on  
29 or after July 27, 1991, and shall not be payable for weeks ending on or  
30 after two years after March 26, 1992, for individuals who become  
31 eligible as a result of chapter 47, Laws of 1992.

32 (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of (b) of this subsection,  
33 individuals will be entitled to up to five additional weeks of benefits  
34 following the completion or termination of training.

35 (d) Notwithstanding the provisions of (b) of this subsection,  
36 individuals enrolled in prerequisite remedial education for a training  
37 program expected to last at least one year will be entitled to up to  
38 thirteen additional weeks of benefits which shall not count toward the  
39 total in (b) of this subsection.

1       (e) The weekly benefit amount shall be calculated as specified in  
2 RCW 50.22.040.

3       ~~((e))~~ (f) Benefits paid under this section shall be paid under  
4 the same terms and conditions as regular benefits and shall not be  
5 charged to the experience rating account of individual employers. The  
6 additional benefit period shall be suspended with the start of an  
7 extended benefit period, or any totally federally funded benefit  
8 program, with eligibility criteria and benefits comparable to the  
9 program established by this section, and shall resume the first week  
10 following the end of the federal program.

11       ~~((f))~~ (g) The amendments in chapter 316, Laws of 1993 affecting  
12 subsection (3) (b) and (c) of this section shall apply in the case of  
13 all individuals determined to be monetarily eligible under this section  
14 without regard to the date eligibility was determined.

15       (4) An additional benefit eligibility period is established for any  
16 exhaustee who:

17       (a)(i) At the time of last separation from employment, resided in  
18 or was employed in a ~~((county identified under subsection (2) of this  
19 section))~~ rural natural resources impact area defined in RCW 43.31.601  
20 and determined by the office of financial management and the employment  
21 security department; or

22       (ii) During his or her base year, earned wages in at least six  
23 hundred eighty hours in either the forest products industry, which  
24 shall be determined by the department but shall include the industries  
25 assigned the major group standard industrial classification codes "24"  
26 and "26" and the industries involved in the harvesting and management  
27 of logs, transportation of logs and wood products, processing of wood  
28 products, and the manufacturing and distribution of wood processing and  
29 logging equipment or the fishing industry assigned the standard  
30 industrial classification code "0912". The commissioner may adopt  
31 rules further interpreting the industries covered under this  
32 subsection. For the purposes of this subsection, "standard industrial  
33 classification code" means the code identified in RCW 50.29.025(6)(c);  
34 and

35       (b)(i) Has received notice of termination or layoff; and

36       (ii) Is unlikely to return to employment in his or her principal  
37 occupation or previous industry because of a diminishing demand within  
38 his or her labor market for his or her skills in the occupation or  
39 industry; and

1 (c)(i)(~~(A)~~) Is notified by the department of the requirements of  
2 this section and develops an individual training program that is  
3 submitted to the commissioner for approval not later than sixty days  
4 after the individual is notified of the requirements of this section,  
5 and enters the approved training program not later than ninety days  
6 after the date of the individual's termination or layoff, or ninety  
7 days after July 1, 1991, whichever is later, unless the department  
8 determines that the training is not available during the ninety-day  
9 period, in which case the individual shall enter training as soon as it  
10 is available; or

11 (~~(B) Is unemployed as the result of a plant closure that occurs  
12 after November 1, 1992, in a county identified under subsection (2) of  
13 this section, did not comply with the requirements of (c)(i)(A) of this  
14 subsection due to good cause as demonstrated to the department, such as  
15 ambiguity over possible sale of the plant, develops a training program  
16 that is submitted to the commissioner for approval not later than sixty  
17 days from a date determined by the department to accommodate the good  
18 cause, and enters the approved training program not later than ninety  
19 days after the revised date established by the department, unless the  
20 department determines that the training is not available during the  
21 ninety-day period, in which case the individual shall enter training as  
22 soon as it is available; or~~)

23 (ii) Is enrolled in training approved under this section on a full-  
24 time basis and maintains satisfactory progress in the training(~~(; and~~

25 ~~(d) Does not receive a training allowance or stipend under the  
26 provisions of any federal or state law~~)).

27 (5) For the purposes of this section:

28 (a) "Training program" means:

29 (i) A remedial education program determined to be necessary after  
30 counseling at the educational institution in which the individual  
31 enrolls pursuant to his or her approved training program; or

32 (ii) A vocational training program at an educational institution  
33 that:

34 (A) Is training for a labor demand occupation; and

35 (B) Is likely to facilitate a substantial enhancement of the  
36 individual's marketable skills and earning power(~~(; and~~

37 ~~(C) Does not include on-the-job training or other training under  
38 which the individual is paid by an employer for work performed by the~~



1 individual during the time that the individual receives additional  
2 benefits under subsection (1) of this section)).

3 (b) "Educational institution" means an institution of higher  
4 education as defined in RCW 28B.10.016 or an educational institution as  
5 defined in RCW 28C.04.410(3).

6 (c) "Training allowance or stipend" means discretionary use, cash-  
7 in-hand payments available to the individual to be used as the  
8 individual sees fit, but does not mean direct or indirect compensation  
9 for training costs, such as tuition or books and supplies.

10 (6) The commissioner shall adopt rules as necessary to implement  
11 this section.

12 (7) ((For the purpose of this section, an individual who has a  
13 benefit year beginning after January 1, 1989, and ending before July  
14 27, 1991, shall be treated as if his or her benefit year ended on July  
15 27, 1991)) The provisions of RCW 50.22.010(10) shall not apply to  
16 anyone who establishes eligibility for additional benefits under this  
17 section and whose benefit year ends after January 1, 1994. These  
18 individuals will have the option of remaining on the original claim or  
19 filing a new claim.

20 **Sec. 6.** 1993 c 316 s 5 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:

21 (1) For the period beginning July 1, 1991, and ending June 30,  
22 ((1995)) 1997, in ((timber)) rural natural resources impact areas the  
23 public works board may award low-interest or interest-free loans to  
24 local governments for construction of new or expanded public works  
25 facilities that stimulate economic growth or diversification.

26 (2) For the purposes of this section and section 27, chapter 314,  
27 Laws of 1991:

28 (a) "Public facilities" means bridge, road and street, domestic  
29 water, sanitary sewer, and storm sewer systems.

30 (b) (( "Timber impact area" means:

31 (i) ~~A county having a population of less than five hundred~~  
32 ~~thousand, or a city or town located within a county having a population~~  
33 ~~of less than five hundred thousand, and meeting two of the following~~  
34 ~~three criteria, as determined by the employment security department,~~  
35 ~~for the most recent year such data is available: (A) A lumber and wood~~  
36 ~~products employment location quotient at or above the state average;~~  
37 ~~(B) projected or actual direct lumber and wood products job losses of~~  
38 ~~one hundred positions or more, except counties having a population~~

1 greater than two hundred thousand but less than five hundred thousand  
2 must have direct lumber and wood products job losses of one thousand  
3 positions or more; or (C) an annual unemployment rate twenty percent or  
4 more above the state average; or

5 (ii) Additional communities as the economic recovery coordinating  
6 board, established in RCW 43.31.631, designates based on a finding by  
7 the board that each designated community is socially and economically  
8 integrated with areas that meet the definition of a timber impact area  
9 under (b)(i) of this subsection.

10 (3)) "Rural natural resources impact area" means:

11 (i) A nonmetropolitan county, as defined by the 1990 decennial  
12 census, that meets two of the five criteria set forth in subsection (3)  
13 of this section; or

14 (ii) A nonurbanized area, as defined by the 1990 decennial census,  
15 that is located in a metropolitan county that meets two of the five  
16 criteria set forth in subsection (3) of this section.

17 (3) For the purposes of designating rural natural resources impact  
18 areas, the following criteria shall be considered:

19 (a) A lumber and wood products employment location quotient at or  
20 above the state average;

21 (b) A commercial salmon fishing employment location quotient at or  
22 above the state average;

23 (c) Projected or actual direct lumber and wood products job losses  
24 of one hundred positions or more;

25 (d) Projected or actual direct commercial salmon fishing job losses  
26 of one hundred positions or more; and

27 (e) An unemployment rate twenty percent or more above the state  
28 average. The counties that meet these criteria shall be determined by  
29 the employment security department for the most recent year for which  
30 data is available. For the purposes of administration of programs  
31 under this chapter, the United States post office five-digit zip code  
32 delivery areas will be used to determine residence status for  
33 eligibility purposes. For the purpose of this definition, a zip code  
34 delivery area that is located wholly or partially in an urbanized area  
35 or within two miles of an urbanized area is considered urbanized. The  
36 office of financial management shall make available a zip code listing  
37 of the areas to all agencies and organizations providing services under  
38 this chapter.

1       (4) The loans may have a deferred payment of up to five years but  
2 shall be repaid within twenty years. The public works board may  
3 require other terms and conditions and may charge such rates of  
4 interest on its loans as it deems appropriate to carry out the purposes  
5 of this section. Repayments shall be made to the public works  
6 assistance account.

7       (~~(4)~~) (5) The board may make such loans irrespective of the  
8 annual loan cycle and reporting required in RCW 43.155.070.

9       **Sec. 7.** 1993 c 320 s 10 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
10 follows:

11       RCW 43.160.076 and 1991 c 314 s 24 & 1985 c 446 s 6 are each  
12 repealed effective June 30, (~~(1995)~~) 1997.

13       **Sec. 8.** 1993 c 316 s 7 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:  
14 RCW 43.160.200 expires June 30, (~~(1995)~~) 1997.

15       **Sec. 9.** 1993 c 320 s 11 (uncodified) is amended to read as  
16 follows:

17       RCW 43.160.210 shall take effect (~~(July 1, 1995)~~) June 30, 1997.

18       **Sec. 10.** RCW 43.31.651 and 1993 c 280 s 51 are each amended to  
19 read as follows:

20       The department of community, trade, and economic development as a  
21 part of the agency (~~(timber)~~) rural community assistance task force  
22 (~~(and in consultation with the board,~~) shall implement a community  
23 assistance program to enable communities to build local capacity for  
24 sustainable economic development efforts. The program shall provide  
25 resources and technical assistance to (~~(timber)~~) rural natural  
26 resources impact areas.

27       NEW SECTION. **Sec. 11.** A new section is added to chapter 43.63A  
28 RCW to read as follows:

29       Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in  
30 this section apply throughout this chapter.

31       (1) "Dislocated forest products worker" means a forest products  
32 worker who: (a)(i) Has been terminated or received notice of  
33 termination from employment and is unlikely to return to employment in  
34 the individual's principal occupation or previous industry because of

1 a diminishing demand for his or her skills in that occupation or  
2 industry; or (ii) is self-employed and has been displaced from his or  
3 her business because of the diminishing demand for the business's  
4 services or goods; and (b) at the time of last separation from  
5 employment, resided in or was employed in a rural natural resources  
6 impact area.

7 (2) "Forest products worker" means a worker in the forest products  
8 industries affected by the reduction of forest fiber enhancement,  
9 transportation, or production. The workers included within this  
10 definition shall be determined by the employment security department,  
11 but shall include workers employed in the industries assigned the major  
12 group standard industrial classification codes "24" and "26" and the  
13 industries involved in the harvesting and management of logs,  
14 transportation of logs and wood products, processing of wood products,  
15 and the manufacturing and distribution of wood processing and logging  
16 equipment. The commissioner may adopt rules further interpreting these  
17 definitions. For the purposes of this subsection, "standard industrial  
18 classification code" means the code identified in RCW 50.29.025(6)(c).

19 (3) "Dislocated salmon fishing worker" means a salmon products  
20 worker who: (a)(i) Has been terminated or received notice of  
21 termination from employment and is unlikely to return to employment in  
22 the individual's principal occupation or previous industry because of  
23 a diminishing demand for his or her skills in that occupation or  
24 industry; or (ii) is self-employed and has been displaced from his or  
25 her business because of the diminishing demand for the business's  
26 services or goods; and (b) at the time of last separation from  
27 employment, resided in or was employed in a rural natural resources  
28 impact area.

29 (4) "Salmon fishing worker" means a worker in the salmon industry  
30 affected by 1994 or future salmon disasters. The workers included  
31 within this definition shall be determined by the employment security  
32 department, but shall include workers employed in the industries  
33 involved in the commercial and recreational harvesting of salmon  
34 including buying and processing salmon. The commissioner may adopt  
35 rules further interpreting these definitions.

36 **Sec. 12.** RCW 43.63A.600 and 1994 c 114 s 1 are each amended to  
37 read as follows:

1 (1) The department of community, trade, and economic development,  
2 as a member of the agency ((timber)) rural community assistance task  
3 force ((and in consultation with the economic recovery coordination  
4 board,)) shall establish and administer the emergency mortgage and  
5 rental assistance program. The department shall identify the  
6 communities most adversely affected by reductions in timber and salmon  
7 harvest levels and shall prioritize assistance under this program to  
8 these communities. The department shall work with the department of  
9 social and health services and the ((timber)) rural community  
10 assistance recovery coordinator to develop the program in ((timber))  
11 rural natural resources impact areas. Organizations eligible to  
12 receive grant funds for distribution under the program are those  
13 organizations that are eligible to receive assistance through the  
14 Washington housing trust fund. The department shall disburse the funds  
15 to eligible local organizations as grants. The local organizations  
16 shall use the funds to make grants or loans as specified in RCW  
17 43.63A.600 through 43.63A.640. If funds are disbursed as loans, the  
18 local organization shall establish a revolving grant and loan fund with  
19 funds received as loan repayments and shall continue to make grants or  
20 loans or both grants and loans from funds received as loan repayments  
21 to dislocated forest products and dislocated salmon fishing workers  
22 eligible under the provisions of RCW 43.63A.600 through 43.63A.640 and  
23 to other persons residing in ((timber)) rural natural resources impact  
24 areas who meet the requirements of RCW 43.63A.600 through 43.63A.640.

25 (2) The goals of the program are to:

26 (a) Provide temporary emergency mortgage loans or rental assistance  
27 grants or loans on behalf of dislocated forest products and dislocated  
28 salmon fishing workers in ((timber)) rural natural resources impact  
29 areas who are unable to make mortgage, property tax, or rental payments  
30 on their permanent residences and are subject to immediate eviction for  
31 nonpayment of mortgage installments, property taxes, or nonpayment of  
32 rent;

33 (b) Prevent the dislocation of individuals and families from their  
34 permanent residences and their communities; and

35 (c) Maintain economic and social stability in ((timber)) rural  
36 natural resources impact areas.

37 **Sec. 13.** RCW 43.63A.440 and 1993 c 280 s 74 are each amended to  
38 read as follows:

1       (~~(1)~~) The department of community, trade, and economic  
2 development shall provide technical and financial assistance to  
3 communities adversely impacted by reductions in timber harvested from  
4 federal, state, and private lands and reduction of salmon fishing  
5 caused by efforts to maintain the long-term viability of salmon stocks.  
6 This assistance shall include the formation and implementation of  
7 community economic development plans. The department of community,  
8 trade, and economic development shall utilize existing state technical  
9 and financial assistance programs, and shall aid communities in seeking  
10 private and federal financial assistance for the purposes of this  
11 section. The department may contract for services provided for under  
12 this section.

13       (~~(2) The sum of four hundred fifty thousand dollars, or as much~~  
14 ~~thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated from the general fund to~~  
15 ~~the department of community, trade, and economic development for the~~  
16 ~~biennium ending June 30, 1991, for the purposes of subsection (1) of~~  
17 ~~this section.))~~

18       **Sec. 14.** RCW 43.160.020 and 1993 c 320 s 1 and 1993 c 280 s 55 are  
19 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

20       Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in  
21 this section apply throughout this chapter.

22       (1) "Board" means the community economic revitalization board.

23       (2) "Bond" means any bond, note, debenture, interim certificate, or  
24 other evidence of financial indebtedness issued by the board pursuant  
25 to this chapter.

26       (3) "Department" means the department of community, trade, and  
27 economic development.

28       (4) "Financial institution" means any bank, savings and loan  
29 association, credit union, development credit corporation, insurance  
30 company, investment company, trust company, savings institution, or  
31 other financial institution approved by the board and maintaining an  
32 office in the state.

33       (5) "Industrial development facilities" means "industrial  
34 development facilities" as defined in RCW 39.84.020.

35       (6) "Industrial development revenue bonds" means tax-exempt revenue  
36 bonds used to fund industrial development facilities.

37       (7) "Local government" or "political subdivision" means any port  
38 district, county, city, town, or special utility district.

1 (8) "Sponsor" means any of the following entities which customarily  
2 provide service or otherwise aid in industrial or other financing and  
3 are approved as a sponsor by the board: A bank, trust company, savings  
4 bank, investment bank, national banking association, savings and loan  
5 association, building and loan association, credit union, insurance  
6 company, or any other financial institution, governmental agency, or  
7 holding company of any entity specified in this subsection.

8 (9) "Umbrella bonds" means industrial development revenue bonds  
9 from which the proceeds are loaned, transferred, or otherwise made  
10 available to two or more users under this chapter.

11 (10) "User" means one or more persons acting as lessee, purchaser,  
12 mortgagor, or borrower under a financing document and receiving or  
13 applying to receive revenues from bonds issued under this chapter.

14 (11) "~~((Timber))~~ Rural natural resources impact area" means:

15 (a) ~~((A county having a population of less than five hundred  
16 thousand, or a city or town located within a county having a population  
17 of less than five hundred thousand, and meeting two of the following  
18 three criteria, as determined by the employment security department,  
19 for the most recent year such data is available: (i) A lumber and wood  
20 products employment location quotient at or above the state average;  
21 (ii) projected or actual direct lumber and wood products job losses of  
22 one hundred positions or more, except counties having a population  
23 greater than two hundred thousand but less than five hundred thousand  
24 must have direct lumber and wood products job losses of one thousand  
25 positions or more; or (iii) an annual unemployment rate twenty percent  
26 or more above the state average))~~ A nonmetropolitan county, as defined  
27 by the 1990 decennial census, that meets two of the five criteria set  
28 forth in subsection (12) of this section; or

29 (b) A nonurbanized area, as defined by the 1990 decennial census,  
30 that is located in a metropolitan county that meets two of the five  
31 criteria set forth in subsection (12) of this section.

32 ~~((b) Additional communities as the economic recovery coordinating  
33 board, established in RCW 43.31.631, designates based on a finding by  
34 the board that each designated community is socially and economically  
35 integrated with areas that meet the definition of a timber impact area  
36 under (a) of this subsection.))~~

37 (12) For the purposes of designating rural natural resources impact  
38 areas, the following criteria shall be considered:

1       (a) A lumber and wood products employment location quotient at or  
2 above the state average;  
3       (b) A commercial salmon fishing employment location quotient at or  
4 above the state average;  
5       (c) Projected or actual direct lumber and wood products job losses  
6 of one hundred positions or more;  
7       (d) Projected or actual direct commercial salmon fishing job losses  
8 of one hundred positions or more; and  
9       (e) An unemployment rate twenty percent or more above the state  
10 average. The counties that meet these criteria shall be determined by  
11 the employment security department for the most recent year for which  
12 data is available. For the purposes of administration of programs  
13 under this chapter, the United States post office five-digit zip code  
14 delivery areas will be used to determine residence status for  
15 eligibility purposes. For the purpose of this definition, a zip code  
16 delivery area that is located wholly or partially in an urbanized area  
17 or within two miles of an urbanized area is considered urbanized. The  
18 office of financial management shall make available a zip code listing  
19 of the areas to all agencies and organizations providing services under  
20 this chapter.

21       **Sec. 15.** RCW 43.160.076 and 1993 c 320 s 5 are each amended to  
22 read as follows:

23       (1) Except as authorized to the contrary under subsection (2) of  
24 this section, from all funds available to the board for loans and  
25 grants in a biennium, the board shall spend at least fifty percent for  
26 grants and loans for projects in distressed counties or ((timber))  
27 rural natural resources impact areas. For purposes of this section,  
28 the term "distressed counties" includes any county, in which the  
29 average level of unemployment for the three years before the year in  
30 which an application for a loan or grant is filed, exceeds the average  
31 state employment for those years by twenty percent.

32       (2) If at any time during the last six months of a biennium the  
33 board finds that the actual and anticipated applications for qualified  
34 projects in distressed counties or ((timber)) rural natural resources  
35 impact areas are clearly insufficient to use up the fifty percent  
36 allocation, then the board shall estimate the amount of the  
37 insufficiency and during the remainder of the biennium may use that  
38 amount of the allocation for loans and grants for projects not located



1 in distressed counties or ((timber)) rural natural resources impact  
2 areas.

3 **Sec. 16.** RCW 43.160.200 and 1993 c 320 s 7 and 1993 c 316 s 4 are  
4 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

5 (1) The economic development account is created within the public  
6 facilities construction loan revolving fund under RCW 43.160.080.  
7 Moneys in the account may be spent only after appropriation.  
8 Expenditures from the account may be used only for the purposes of RCW  
9 43.160.010(4) and this section. The account is subject to allotment  
10 procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW.

11 (2) Applications under this section for assistance from the  
12 economic development account are subject to all of the applicable  
13 criteria set forth under this chapter, as well as procedures and  
14 criteria established by the board, except as otherwise provided.

15 (3) Eligible applicants under this section are limited to political  
16 subdivisions of the state in ((timber)) rural natural resources impact  
17 areas that demonstrate, to the satisfaction of the board, the local  
18 economy's dependence on the forest products ((industry)) and salmon  
19 fishing industries.

20 (4) Applicants must demonstrate that their request is part of an  
21 economic development plan consistent with applicable state planning  
22 requirements. Applicants must demonstrate that tourism projects have  
23 been approved by the local government. Industrial projects must be  
24 approved by the local government and the associate development  
25 organization.

26 (5) Publicly owned projects may be financed under this section upon  
27 proof by the applicant that the public project is a necessary component  
28 of, or constitutes in whole, a tourism project.

29 (6) Applications must demonstrate local match and participation.  
30 Such match may include: Land donation, other public or private funds  
31 or both, or other means of local commitment to the project.

32 (7) Board financing for feasibility studies shall not exceed  
33 twenty-five thousand dollars per study. Board funds for feasibility  
34 studies may be provided as a grant and require a dollar for dollar  
35 match with up to one-half in-kind match allowed.

36 (8) Board financing for tourism projects shall not exceed two  
37 hundred fifty thousand dollars. Other public facility projects under  
38 this section shall not exceed five hundred thousand dollars. Loans

1 with flexible terms and conditions to meet the needs of the applicants  
2 shall be provided. Grants may also be authorized, but only when, and  
3 to the extent that, a loan is not reasonably possible, given the  
4 limited resources of the political subdivision.

5 (9) The board shall develop guidelines for allowable local match  
6 and feasibility studies.

7 (10) Applications under this section need not demonstrate evidence  
8 that specific private development or expansion is ready to occur or  
9 will occur if funds are provided.

10 (11) The board shall establish guidelines for making grants and  
11 loans under this section to ensure that the requirements of this  
12 chapter are complied with. The guidelines shall include:

13 (a) A process to equitably compare and evaluate applications from  
14 competing communities.

15 (b) Criteria to ensure that approved projects will have a high  
16 probability of success and are likely to provide long-term economic  
17 benefits to the community. The criteria shall include: (i) A minimum  
18 amount of local participation, determined by the board per application,  
19 to verify community support for the project; (ii) an analysis that  
20 establishes the project is feasible using standard economic principles;  
21 and (iii) an explanation from the applicant regarding how the project  
22 is consistent with the communities' economic strategy and goals.

23 (c) A method of evaluating the impact of the loans or grants on the  
24 economy of the community and whether the loans or grants achieved their  
25 purpose.

26 (12) Cities and counties otherwise eligible under and in compliance  
27 with this section are authorized to use the loans or grants for  
28 buildings and structures.

29 **Sec. 17.** RCW 28B.50.030 and 1992 c 21 s 5 are each amended to read  
30 as follows:

31 As used in this chapter, unless the context requires otherwise, the  
32 term:

33 (1) "System" shall mean the state system of community and technical  
34 colleges, which shall be a system of higher education.

35 (2) "Board" shall mean the work force training and education  
36 coordinating board.

37 (3) "College board" shall mean the state board for community and  
38 technical colleges created by this chapter.

1 (4) "Director" shall mean the administrative director for the state  
2 system of community and technical colleges.

3 (5) "District" shall mean any one of the community and technical  
4 college districts created by this chapter.

5 (6) "Board of trustees" shall mean the local community and  
6 technical college board of trustees established for each college  
7 district within the state.

8 (7) "Occupational education" shall mean that education or training  
9 that will prepare a student for employment that does not require a  
10 baccalaureate degree.

11 (8) "K-12 system" shall mean the public school program including  
12 kindergarten through the twelfth grade.

13 (9) "Common school board" shall mean a public school district board  
14 of directors.

15 (10) "Community college" shall include those higher education  
16 institutions that conduct education programs under RCW 28B.50.020.

17 (11) "Technical college" shall include those higher education  
18 institutions with the sole mission of conducting occupational  
19 education, basic skills, literacy programs, and offering on short  
20 notice, when appropriate, programs that meet specific industry needs.  
21 The programs of technical colleges shall include, but not be limited  
22 to, continuous enrollment, competency-based instruction, industry-  
23 experienced faculty, curriculum integrating vocational and basic skills  
24 education, and curriculum approved by representatives of employers and  
25 labor. For purposes of this chapter, technical colleges shall include  
26 Lake Washington Vocational-Technical Institute, Renton Vocational-  
27 Technical Institute, Bates Vocational-Technical Institute, Clover Park  
28 Vocational Institute, and Bellingham Vocational-Technical Institute.

29 (12) "Adult education" shall mean all education or instruction,  
30 including academic, vocational education or training, basic skills and  
31 literacy training, and "occupational education" provided by public  
32 educational institutions, including common school districts for persons  
33 who are eighteen years of age and over or who hold a high school  
34 diploma or certificate. However, "adult education" shall not include  
35 academic education or instruction for persons under twenty-one years of  
36 age who do not hold a high school degree or diploma and who are  
37 attending a public high school for the sole purpose of obtaining a high  
38 school diploma or certificate, nor shall "adult education" include

1 education or instruction provided by any four year public institution  
2 of higher education.

3 (13) "Dislocated forest product worker" shall mean a forest  
4 products worker who: (a)(i) Has been terminated or received notice of  
5 termination from employment and is unlikely to return to employment in  
6 the individual's principal occupation or previous industry because of  
7 a diminishing demand for his or her skills in that occupation or  
8 industry; or (ii) is self-employed and has been displaced from his or  
9 her business because of the diminishing demand for the business's  
10 services or goods; and (b) at the time of last separation from  
11 employment, resided in or was employed in a (~~timber~~) rural natural  
12 resources impact area.

13 (14) "Forest products worker" shall mean a worker in the forest  
14 products industries affected by the reduction of forest fiber  
15 enhancement, transportation, or production. The workers included  
16 within this definition shall be determined by the employment security  
17 department, but shall include workers employed in the industries  
18 assigned the major group standard industrial classification codes "24"  
19 and "26" and the industries involved in the harvesting and management  
20 of logs, transportation of logs and wood products, processing of wood  
21 products, and the manufacturing and distribution of wood processing and  
22 logging equipment. The commissioner may adopt rules further  
23 interpreting these definitions. For the purposes of this subsection,  
24 "standard industrial classification code" means the code identified in  
25 RCW 50.29.025(6)(c).

26 (15) "Dislocated salmon fishing worker" means a salmon products  
27 worker who: (a)(i) Has been terminated or received notice of  
28 termination from employment and is unlikely to return to employment in  
29 the individual's principal occupation or previous industry because of  
30 a diminishing demand for his or her skills in that occupation or  
31 industry; or (ii) is self-employed and has been displaced from his or  
32 her business because of the diminishing demand for the business's  
33 services or goods; and (b) at the time of last separation from  
34 employment, resided in or was employed in a rural natural resources  
35 impact area.

36 (16) "Salmon fishing worker" means a worker in the salmon industry  
37 affected by 1994 or future salmon disasters. The workers included  
38 within this definition shall be determined by the employment security  
39 department, but shall include workers employed in the industries

1 involved in the commercial and recreational harvesting of salmon  
2 including buying and processing salmon. The commissioner may adopt  
3 rules further interpreting these definitions.

4 (17) "((~~Timber~~)) Rural natural resources impact area" ((shall))  
5 means:

6 (a) ((A county having a population of less than five hundred  
7 thousand, or a city or town located within a county having a population  
8 of less than five hundred thousand, and meeting two of the following  
9 three criteria, as determined by the employment security department,  
10 for the most recent year such data is available: (i) A lumber and wood  
11 products employment location quotient at or above the state average;  
12 (ii) projected or actual direct lumber and wood products job losses of  
13 one hundred positions or more, except counties having a population  
14 greater than two hundred thousand but less than five hundred thousand  
15 must have direct lumber and wood products job losses of one thousand  
16 positions or more; or (iii) an annual unemployment rate twenty percent  
17 or more above the state average)) A nonmetropolitan county, as defined  
18 by the 1990 decennial census, that meets two of the five criteria set  
19 forth in subsection (18) of this section; or

20 (b) A nonurbanized area, as defined by the 1990 decennial census,  
21 that is located in a metropolitan county that meets two of the five  
22 criteria set forth in subsection (18) of this section.

23 ((~~(b) Additional communities as the economic recovery coordinating~~  
24 board, established in RCW 43.31.631, designates based on a finding by  
25 the board that each designated community is socially and economically  
26 integrated with areas that meet the definition of a timber impact area  
27 under (a) of this subsection.))

28 (18) For the purposes of designating rural natural resources impact  
29 areas, the following criteria shall be considered:

30 (a) A lumber and wood products employment location quotient at or  
31 above the state average;

32 (b) A commercial salmon fishing employment location quotient at or  
33 above the state average;

34 (c) Projected or actual direct lumber and wood products job losses  
35 of one hundred positions or more;

36 (d) Projected or actual direct commercial salmon fishing job losses  
37 of one hundred positions or more; and

38 (e) An unemployment rate twenty percent or more above the state  
39 average. The counties that meet these criteria shall be determined by

1 the employment security department for the most recent year for which  
2 data is available. For the purposes of administration of programs  
3 under this chapter, the United States post office five-digit zip code  
4 delivery areas will be used to determine residence status for  
5 eligibility purposes. For the purpose of this definition, a zip code  
6 delivery area that is located wholly or partially in an urbanized area  
7 or within two miles of an urbanized area is considered urbanized. The  
8 office of financial management shall make available a zip code listing  
9 of the areas to all agencies and organizations providing services under  
10 this chapter.

11 **Sec. 18.** RCW 28B.50.258 and 1991 c 315 s 16 are each amended to  
12 read as follows:

13 To the extent that funds are specifically appropriated therefor,  
14 the state board for community and technical colleges (~~(education)~~)  
15 shall provide training and retraining in (~~(timber)~~) rural natural  
16 resources impact areas as follows:

17 (1) Disbursement of funds to individual community colleges for  
18 supplemental slots in cases where enrollment demand exceeds allocation;

19 (2) Pilot projects for innovative approaches to literacy and  
20 employment training. Pilot projects may include, but are not limited  
21 to:

22 (a) Training for cranberry industry research, coordinated by the  
23 Washington State University coastal research unit, Long Beach;

24 (b) Training through Grays Harbor Community College for dislocated  
25 forest products workers to fill positions as safety training and vessel  
26 inspectors. They shall contract with those organizations deemed  
27 appropriate to carry out this program;

28 (c) Training through Skagit Valley Community College for dislocated  
29 forest products workers in natural resources technical programs in  
30 stream enhancement, including waters upstream or downstream as well as  
31 adjacent to state lands; water quality enhancement; irrigation repair;  
32 and the building of shellfish beds;

33 (d) Training for agricultural development, diversification,  
34 marketing, and processing programs in (~~(timber)~~) rural natural  
35 resources impact areas.

36 Nothing in subsection (2) of this section shall be construed to  
37 provide priority for the projects listed in subsection (2) of this  
38 section.

1 For the purposes of this section, the number of full-time  
2 equivalent students to be served during any biennium shall be  
3 determined by the applicable omnibus appropriations act and shall be in  
4 addition to the community college enrollment level funded by the  
5 applicable omnibus appropriations act.

6 **Sec. 19.** RCW 28B.50.262 and 1994 c 282 s 3 are each amended to  
7 read as follows:

8 The state board for community and technical colleges shall develop,  
9 in conjunction with the center for international trade in forest  
10 products, the Washington State University wood materials and  
11 engineering laboratory, and the department of community, trade, and  
12 economic development, a competency-based technical degree program in  
13 wood product manufacturing and wood technology and make it available in  
14 every college district that serves a (~~(timber)~~) rural natural resources  
15 impact area.

16 **Sec. 20.** RCW 28B.80.570 and 1992 c 21 s 6 are each amended to read  
17 as follows:

18 Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in  
19 this section apply throughout RCW 28B.80.575 through 28B.80.585.

20 (1) "Board" means the higher education coordinating board.

21 (2) "Dislocated forest products worker" means a forest products  
22 worker who: (a)(i) Has been terminated or received notice of  
23 termination from employment and is unlikely to return to employment in  
24 the individual's principal occupation or previous industry because of  
25 a diminishing demand for his or her skills in that occupation or  
26 industry; or (ii) is self-employed and has been displaced from his or  
27 her business because of the diminishing demand for the business's  
28 services or goods; and (b) at the time of last separation from  
29 employment, resided in or was employed in a (~~(timber)~~) rural natural  
30 resources impact area.

31 (3) "Forest products worker" means a worker in the forest products  
32 industries affected by the reduction of forest fiber enhancement,  
33 transportation, or production. The workers included within this  
34 definition shall be determined by the employment security department,  
35 but shall include workers employed in the industries assigned the major  
36 group standard industrial classification codes "24" and "26" and the  
37 industries involved in the harvesting and management of logs,

1 transportation of logs and wood products, processing of wood products,  
2 and the manufacturing and distribution of wood processing and logging  
3 equipment. The commissioner may adopt rules further interpreting these  
4 definitions. For the purposes of this subsection, "standard industrial  
5 classification code" means the code identified in RCW 50.29.025(6)(c).

6 (4) "Dislocated salmon fishing worker" means a salmon products  
7 worker who: (a)(i) Has been terminated or received notice of  
8 termination from employment and is unlikely to return to employment in  
9 the individual's principal occupation or previous industry because of  
10 a diminishing demand for his or her skills in that occupation or  
11 industry; or (ii) is self-employed and has been displaced from his or  
12 her business because of the diminishing demand for the business's  
13 services or goods; and (b) at the time of last separation from  
14 employment, resided in or was employed in a rural natural resources  
15 impact area.

16 (5) "Salmon fishing worker" means a worker in the salmon industry  
17 affected by 1994 or future salmon disasters. The workers included  
18 within this definition shall be determined by the employment security  
19 department, but shall include workers employed in the industries  
20 involved in the commercial and recreational harvesting of salmon  
21 including buying and processing salmon. The commissioner may adopt  
22 rules further interpreting these definitions.

23 (6) "((Timber)) Rural natural resources impact area" means:

24 (a) ((A county having a population of less than five hundred  
25 thousand, or a city or town located within a county having a population  
26 of less than five hundred thousand, and meeting two of the following  
27 three criteria, as determined by the employment security department,  
28 for the most recent year such data is available: (i) A lumber and wood  
29 products employment location quotient at or above the state average;  
30 (ii) projected or actual direct lumber and wood products job losses of  
31 one hundred positions or more, except counties having a population  
32 greater than two hundred thousand but less than five hundred thousand  
33 must have direct lumber and wood products job losses of one thousand  
34 positions or more; or (iii) an annual unemployment rate twenty percent  
35 or more above the state average)) A nonmetropolitan county, as defined  
36 by the 1990 decennial census, that meets two of the five criteria set  
37 forth in subsection (7) of this section; or



1 (b) A nonurbanized area, as defined by the 1990 decennial census,  
2 that is located in a metropolitan county that meets two of the five  
3 criteria set forth in subsection (7) of this section.

4 ~~((b) Additional communities as the economic recovery coordinating~~  
5 ~~board, established in RCW 43.31.631, designates based on a finding by~~  
6 ~~the board that each designated community is socially and economically~~  
7 ~~integrated with areas that meet the definition of a timber impact area~~  
8 ~~under (a) of this subsection.))~~

9 (7) For the purposes of designating rural natural resources impact  
10 areas, the following criteria shall be considered:

11 (a) A lumber and wood products employment location quotient at or  
12 above the state average;

13 (b) A commercial salmon fishing employment location quotient at or  
14 above the state average;

15 (c) Projected or actual direct lumber and wood products job losses  
16 of one hundred positions or more;

17 (d) Projected or actual direct commercial salmon fishing job losses  
18 of one hundred positions or more; and

19 (e) An unemployment rate twenty percent or more above the state  
20 average. The counties that meet these criteria shall be determined by  
21 the employment security department for the most recent year for which  
22 data is available. For the purposes of administration of programs  
23 under this chapter, the United States post office five-digit zip code  
24 delivery areas will be used to determine residence status for  
25 eligibility purposes. For the purpose of this definition, a zip code  
26 delivery area that is located wholly or partially in an urbanized area  
27 or within two miles of an urbanized area is considered urbanized. The  
28 office of financial management shall make available a zip code listing  
29 of the areas to all agencies and organizations providing services under  
30 this chapter.

31 **Sec. 21.** RCW 28B.80.575 and 1991 c 315 s 19 are each amended to  
32 read as follows:

33 The board shall administer a program designed to provide upper  
34 division higher education opportunities to dislocated forest products  
35 workers, their spouses, and others in ~~((timber))~~ rural natural  
36 resources impact areas. In administering the program, the board shall  
37 have the following powers and duties:

1 (1) Distribute funding for institutions of higher education to  
2 service placebound students in the (~~(timber)~~) rural natural resources  
3 impact areas meeting the following criteria, as determined by the  
4 employment security department: (a) A lumber and wood products  
5 employment location quotient at or above the state average; (b) a  
6 commercial salmon fishing employment location quotient at or above the  
7 state average; (c) a direct lumber and wood products job loss of one  
8 hundred positions or more; (~~(and-(e))~~) (d) projected or actual direct  
9 commercial salmon fishing job losses of one hundred positions or more;  
10 and (e) an annual unemployment rate twenty percent above the state  
11 average;

12 (2) Appoint an advisory committee to assist the board in program  
13 design and future project selection;

14 (3) Monitor the program and report on student progress and outcome;  
15 and

16 (4) Report to the legislature by December 1, 1993, on the status of  
17 the program.

18 **Sec. 22.** RCW 28B.80.580 and 1993 sp.s. c 18 s 34 are each amended  
19 to read as follows:

20 (1) The board shall contract with institutions of higher education  
21 to provide upper division classes to serve additional placebound  
22 students in the (~~(timber)~~) rural natural resources impact areas meeting  
23 the following criteria, as determined by the employment security  
24 department: (a) A lumber and wood products employment location  
25 quotient at or above the state average; (b) a commercial salmon fishing  
26 employment location quotient at or above the state average; (c) a  
27 direct lumber and wood products job loss of one hundred positions or  
28 more; (~~(and-(e))~~) (d) projected or actual direct commercial salmon  
29 fishing job losses of one hundred positions or more; and (e) an annual  
30 unemployment rate twenty percent above the state average; and which are  
31 not served by an existing state-funded upper division degree program.  
32 The number of full-time equivalent students served in this manner shall  
33 be determined by the applicable omnibus appropriations act. The board  
34 may direct that all the full-time equivalent enrollments be served in  
35 one of the eligible (~~(timber)~~) rural natural resources impact areas if  
36 it should determine that this would be the most viable manner of  
37 establishing the program and using available resources. The  
38 institutions shall utilize telecommunication technology, if available,

1 to carry out the purposes of this section. Subject to the limitations  
2 of RCW 28B.15.910, the institutions providing the service may waive all  
3 or a portion of the tuition, and service and activities fees for  
4 dislocated forest products workers or their unemployed spouses enrolled  
5 as one of the full-time equivalent students allocated to the college  
6 under this section.

7 (2) Unemployed spouses of eligible dislocated forest products  
8 workers may participate in the program, but tuition and fees may be  
9 waived under the program only for the worker or the spouse and not  
10 both.

11 (3) Subject to the limitations of RCW 28B.15.910, for any eligible  
12 participant, all or a portion of tuition may be waived for a maximum of  
13 four semesters or six quarters within a two-year time period. The  
14 participant must be enrolled for a minimum of ten credits per semester  
15 or quarter.

16 **Sec. 23.** RCW 28B.80.585 and 1991 c 315 s 21 are each amended to  
17 read as follows:

18 Dislocated forest products and salmon products workers and their  
19 spouses shall receive priority for attendance in upper division courses  
20 allocated under RCW 28B.80.580. Remaining allocations may be  
21 distributed to others in the ((timber)) rural natural resources impact  
22 area.

23 **Sec. 24.** RCW 43.17.065 and 1993 c 280 s 37 are each amended to  
24 read as follows:

25 (1) Where power is vested in a department to issue permits,  
26 licenses, certifications, contracts, grants, or otherwise authorize  
27 action on the part of individuals, businesses, local governments, or  
28 public or private organizations, such power shall be exercised in an  
29 expeditious manner. All departments with such power shall cooperate  
30 with officials of the business assistance center of the department of  
31 community, trade, and economic development, and any other state  
32 officials, when such officials request timely action on the part of the  
33 issuing department.

34 (2) After August 1, 1991, any agency to which subsection (1) of  
35 this section applies shall, with regard to any permits or other actions  
36 that are necessary for economic development in ((timber)) rural natural  
37 resources impact areas, as defined in RCW 43.31.601, respond to any

1 completed application within forty-five days of its receipt; any  
2 response, at a minimum, shall include:

3 (a) The specific steps that the applicant needs to take in order to  
4 have the application approved; and

5 (b) The assistance that will be made available to the applicant by  
6 the agency to expedite the application process.

7 (3) The agency (~~(timber)~~) rural community assistance task force  
8 established in RCW 43.31.621 shall oversee implementation of this  
9 section.

10 (4) Each agency shall define what constitutes a completed  
11 application and make this definition available to applicants.

12 **Sec. 25.** RCW 43.20A.750 and 1993 c 280 s 38 are each amended to  
13 read as follows:

14 (1) The department of social and health services shall help  
15 families and workers in (~~(timber)~~) rural natural resources impact areas  
16 make the transition through economic difficulties and shall provide  
17 services to assist workers to gain marketable skills. The department,  
18 as a member of the agency (~~(timber)~~) rural community assistance task  
19 force (~~(and in consultation with the economic recovery coordination~~  
20 ~~board,))~~ and, where appropriate, under an interagency agreement with  
21 the department of community, trade, and economic development, shall  
22 provide grants through the office of the secretary for services to the  
23 unemployed in (~~(timber)~~) rural natural resources impact areas,  
24 including providing direct or referral services, establishing and  
25 operating service delivery programs, and coordinating delivery programs  
26 and delivery of services. These grants may be awarded for family  
27 support centers, reemployment centers, or other local service agencies.

28 (2) The services provided through the grants may include, but need  
29 not be limited to: Credit counseling; social services including  
30 marital counseling; psychotherapy or psychological counseling; mortgage  
31 foreclosures and utilities problems counseling; drug and alcohol abuse  
32 services; medical services; and residential heating and food  
33 acquisition.

34 (3) Funding for these services shall be coordinated through the  
35 (~~(economic recovery coordination board))~~ agency rural community  
36 assistance task force which will establish a fund to provide child care  
37 assistance, mortgage assistance, and counseling which cannot be met

1 through current programs. No funds shall be used for additional full-  
2 time equivalents for administering this section.

3 (4)(a) Grants for family support centers are intended to provide  
4 support to families by responding to needs identified by the families  
5 and communities served by the centers. Services provided by family  
6 support centers may include parenting education, child development  
7 assessments, health and nutrition education, counseling, and  
8 information and referral services. Such services may be provided  
9 directly by the center or through referral to other agencies  
10 participating in the interagency team.

11 (b) The department shall consult with the council on child abuse or  
12 neglect regarding grants for family support centers.

13 (5) "~~((Timber))~~ Rural natural resources impact area" means:

14 (a) ~~((A county having a population of less than five hundred  
15 thousand, or a city or town located within a county having a population  
16 of less than five hundred thousand, and meeting two of the following  
17 three criteria, as determined by the employment security department,  
18 for the most recent year such data is available: (i) A lumber and wood  
19 products employment location quotient at or above the state average;  
20 (ii) projected or actual direct lumber and wood products job losses of  
21 one hundred positions or more, except counties having a population  
22 greater than two hundred thousand but less than five hundred thousand  
23 must have direct lumber and wood products job losses of one thousand  
24 positions or more; or (iii) an annual unemployment rate twenty percent  
25 or more above the state average))~~ A nonmetropolitan county, as defined  
26 by the 1990 decennial census, that meets two of the five criteria set  
27 forth in subsection (6) of this section; or

28 (b) A nonurbanized area, as defined by the 1990 decennial census,  
29 that is located in a metropolitan county that meets two of the five  
30 criteria set forth in subsection (6) of this section.

31 ~~((b) Additional communities as the economic recovery coordinating  
32 board, established in RCW 43.31.631, designates based on a finding by  
33 the board that each designated community is socially and economically  
34 integrated with areas that meet the definition of a timber impact area  
35 under (a) of this subsection.))~~

36 (6) For the purposes of designating rural natural resources impact  
37 areas, the following criteria shall be considered:

38 (a) A lumber and wood products employment location quotient at or  
39 above the state average;

1       (b) A commercial salmon fishing employment location quotient at or  
2 above the state average;

3       (c) Projected or actual direct lumber and wood products job losses  
4 of one hundred positions or more;

5       (d) Projected or actual direct commercial salmon fishing job losses  
6 of one hundred positions or more; and

7       (e) An unemployment rate twenty percent or more above the state  
8 average. The counties that meet these criteria shall be determined by  
9 the employment security department for the most recent year for which  
10 data is available. For the purposes of administration of programs  
11 under this chapter, the United States post office five-digit zip code  
12 delivery areas will be used to determine residence status for  
13 eligibility purposes. For the purpose of this definition, a zip code  
14 delivery area that is located wholly or partially in an urbanized area  
15 or within two miles of an urbanized area is considered urbanized. The  
16 office of financial management shall make available a zip code listing  
17 of the areas to all agencies and organizations providing services under  
18 this chapter.

19       **Sec. 26.** RCW 43.21J.010 and 1993 c 516 s 2 are each amended to  
20 read as follows:

21       (1) It is the intent of this chapter to provide financial resources  
22 to make substantial progress toward: (a) Implementing the Puget Sound  
23 water quality management plan and other watershed-based management  
24 strategies and plans; (b) ameliorating degradation to watersheds; and  
25 (c) keeping and creating stable, environmentally sound, good wage  
26 employment in Washington state. The legislature intends that  
27 employment under this chapter is not to result in the displacement or  
28 partial displacement, whether by the reduction of hours of nonovertime  
29 work, wages, or other employment benefits, of currently employed  
30 workers, including but not limited to state civil service employees, or  
31 of currently or normally contracted services.

32       (2) It is the purpose of this chapter to:

33       (a) Implement clean water, forest, and habitat restoration projects  
34 that will produce measurable improvements in water and habitat quality,  
35 that rate highly when existing environmental ranking systems are  
36 applied, and that provide economic stability.

1 (b) Facilitate the coordination and consistency of federal, state,  
2 tribal, local, and private water and habitat protection and enhancement  
3 programs in the state's watersheds.

4 (c) Fund necessary projects for which a public planning process has  
5 been completed.

6 (d) Provide immediate funding to create jobs and training for  
7 environmental restoration and enhancement jobs for unemployed workers  
8 and displaced workers in impact areas, especially ((timber-dependent))  
9 rural natural resources-dependent communities.

10 (3) For purposes of this chapter "impact areas" means: (a)  
11 Distressed counties as defined in RCW 43.165.010(3)(a); (b) subcounty  
12 areas in those counties not covered under (a) of this subsection that  
13 are ((timber)) rural natural resources impact areas as defined in RCW  
14 43.31.601; (c) urban subcounty areas as defined in RCW  
15 43.165.010(3)(c); and (d) areas that the task force determines are  
16 likely to experience dislocations in the near future from downturns in  
17 natural resource-based industries.

18 (4) For purposes of this chapter, "high-risk youth" means youth  
19 eligible for Washington conservation corps programs under chapter  
20 43.220 RCW or Washington service corps programs under chapter 50.65  
21 RCW.

22 (5) For purposes of this chapter, "dislocated forest products  
23 worker" has the meaning set forth in RCW 50.70.010.

24 (6) For purposes of this chapter, "task force" means the  
25 environmental enhancement and job creation task force created under RCW  
26 43.21J.030.

27 **Sec. 27.** RCW 43.168.020 and 1993 c 280 s 56 are each amended to  
28 read as follows:

29 Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in  
30 this section apply throughout this chapter.

31 (1) "Committee" means the Washington state development loan fund  
32 committee.

33 (2) "Department" means the department of community, trade, and  
34 economic development.

35 (3) "Director" means the director of community, trade, and economic  
36 development.

37 (4) "Distressed area" means: (a) A county which has an  
38 unemployment rate which is twenty percent above the state average for

1 the immediately previous three years; (b) a metropolitan statistical  
2 area, as defined by the office of federal statistical policy and  
3 standards, United States department of commerce, in which the average  
4 level of unemployment for the calendar year immediately preceding the  
5 year in which an application is filed under this chapter exceeds the  
6 average state unemployment for such calendar year by twenty percent.  
7 Applications under this subsection (4)(b) shall be filed by April 30,  
8 1989; (c) an area within a county, which area: (i) Is composed of  
9 contiguous census tracts; (ii) has a minimum population of five  
10 thousand persons; (iii) has at least seventy percent of its families  
11 and unrelated individuals with incomes below eighty percent of the  
12 county's median income for families and unrelated individuals; and (iv)  
13 has an unemployment rate which is at least forty percent higher than  
14 the county's unemployment rate; or (d) a county designated as a  
15 ((timber)) rural natural resources impact area under RCW 43.31.601 if  
16 an application is filed by July 1, 1993. For purposes of this  
17 definition, "families and unrelated individuals" has the same meaning  
18 that is ascribed to that term by the federal department of housing and  
19 urban development in its regulations authorizing action grants for  
20 economic development and neighborhood revitalization projects.

21 (5) "Fund" means the Washington state development loan fund.

22 (6) "Local development organization" means a nonprofit organization  
23 which is organized to operate within an area, demonstrates a commitment  
24 to a long-standing effort for an economic development program, and  
25 makes a demonstrable effort to assist in the employment of unemployed  
26 or underemployed residents in an area.

27 (7) "Project" means the establishment of a new or expanded business  
28 in an area which when completed will provide employment opportunities.  
29 "Project" also means the retention of an existing business in an area  
30 which when completed will provide employment opportunities.

31 **Sec. 28.** RCW 43.168.140 and 1991 c 314 s 20 are each amended to  
32 read as follows:

33 Any funds appropriated by the legislature to the development loan  
34 fund for purposes of the timber recovery act shall be used for  
35 development loans in ((timber)) rural natural resources impact areas as  
36 defined in RCW 43.31.601.



1       **Sec. 29.** RCW 43.210.110 and 1994 c 284 s 7 are each amended to  
2 read as follows:

3       (1) The small business export finance assistance center has the  
4 following powers and duties when exercising its authority under RCW  
5 43.210.100(3):

6       (a) Solicit and accept grants, contributions, and any other  
7 financial assistance from the federal government, federal agencies, and  
8 any other public or private sources to carry out its purposes;

9       (b) Offer comprehensive export assistance and counseling to  
10 manufacturers relatively new to exporting with gross annual revenues  
11 less than twenty-five million dollars. As close to seventy-five  
12 percent as possible of each year's new cadre of clients must have gross  
13 annual revenues of less than five million dollars at the time of their  
14 initial contract. At least fifty percent of each year's new cadre of  
15 clients shall be from (~~timber~~) rural natural resources impact areas  
16 as defined in RCW 43.31.601. Counseling may include, but not be  
17 limited to, helping clients obtain debt or equity financing, in  
18 constructing competent proposals, and assessing federal guarantee and/  
19 or insurance programs that underwrite exporting risk; assisting clients  
20 in evaluating their international marketplace by developing marketing  
21 materials, assessing and selecting targeted markets; assisting firms in  
22 finding foreign customers by conducting foreign market research,  
23 evaluating distribution systems, selecting and assisting in  
24 identification of and/or negotiations with foreign agents,  
25 distributors, retailers, and by promoting products through attending  
26 trade shows abroad; advising companies on their products, guarantees,  
27 and after sales service requirements necessary to compete effectively  
28 in a foreign market; designing a competitive strategy for a firm's  
29 products in targeted markets and methods of minimizing their commercial  
30 and political risks; securing for clients specific assistance as  
31 needed, outside the center's field of expertise, by referrals to other  
32 public or private organizations. The Pacific Northwest export  
33 assistance project shall focus its efforts on facilitating export  
34 transactions for its clients, and in doing so, provide such technical  
35 services as are appropriate to accomplish its mission either with staff  
36 or outside consultants;

37       (c) Sign three-year counseling agreements with its clients that  
38 provide for termination if adequate funding for the Pacific Northwest  
39 export assistance project is not provided in future appropriations.

1 Counseling agreements shall not be renewed unless there are compelling  
2 reasons to do so, and under no circumstances shall they be renewed for  
3 more than two additional years. A counseling agreement may not be  
4 renewed more than once. The counseling agreements shall have mutual  
5 performance clauses, that if not met, will be grounds for releasing  
6 each party, without penalty, from the provisions of the agreement.  
7 Clients shall be immediately released from a counseling agreement with  
8 the Pacific Northwest export assistance project, without penalty, if a  
9 client wishes to switch to a private export management service and  
10 produces a valid contract signed with a private export management  
11 service, or if the president of the small business export finance  
12 assistance center determines there are compelling reasons to release a  
13 client from the provisions of the counseling agreement;

14 (d) May contract with private or public international trade  
15 education services to provide Pacific Northwest export assistance  
16 project clients with training in international business. The president  
17 and board of directors shall decide the amount of funding allocated for  
18 educational services based on the availability of resources in the  
19 operating budget of the Pacific Northwest export assistance project;

20 (e) May contract with the Washington state international trade fair  
21 to provide services for Pacific Northwest export assistance project  
22 clients to participate in one trade show annually. The president and  
23 board of directors shall decide the amount of funding allocated for  
24 trade fair assistance based on the availability of resources in the  
25 operating budget of the Pacific Northwest export assistance project;

26 (f) Provide biennial assessments of its performance. Project  
27 personnel shall work with the department of revenue and employment  
28 security department to confidentially track the performance of the  
29 project's clients in increasing tax revenues to the state, increasing  
30 gross sales revenues and volume of products destined to foreign  
31 clients, and in creating new jobs for Washington citizens. A biennial  
32 report shall be prepared for the governor and legislature to assess the  
33 costs and benefits to the state from creating the project. The  
34 president of the small business export finance assistance center shall  
35 design an appropriate methodology for biennial assessments in  
36 consultation with the director of community, trade, and economic  
37 development and the director of the Washington state department of  
38 agriculture. The department of revenue and the employment security  
39 department shall provide data necessary to complete this biennial

1 evaluation, if the data being requested is available from existing data  
2 bases. Client-specific information generated from the files of the  
3 department of revenue and the employment security department for the  
4 purposes of this evaluation shall be kept strictly confidential by each  
5 department and the small business export finance assistance center;

6 (g) Take whatever action may be necessary to accomplish the  
7 purposes set forth in RCW 43.210.070 and 43.210.100 through 43.210.120;  
8 and

9 (h) Limit its assistance to promoting the exportation of value-  
10 added manufactured goods. The project shall not provide counseling or  
11 assistance, under any circumstances, for the importation of foreign  
12 made goods into the United States.

13 (2) The Pacific Northwest export assistance project shall not,  
14 under any circumstances, assume ownership or take title to the goods of  
15 its clients.

16 (3) The Pacific Northwest export assistance project may not use any  
17 Washington state funds which come from the public treasury of the state  
18 of Washington to make loans or to make any payment under a loan  
19 guarantee agreement. Under no circumstances may the center use any  
20 funds received under RCW 43.210.050 to make or assist in making any  
21 loan or to pay or assist in paying any amount under a loan guarantee  
22 agreement. Debts of the center shall be center debts only and may be  
23 satisfied only from the resources of the center. The state of  
24 Washington shall not in any way be liable for such debts.

25 (4) The Pacific Northwest export assistance project shall make  
26 every effort to seek nonstate funds to supplement its operations. The  
27 small business export finance assistance center and the project are  
28 authorized to charge reasonable fees for services and products provided  
29 and to expend the proceeds for the particular purposes for which they  
30 were collected.

31 (5) The small business export finance assistance center and its  
32 Pacific Northwest export assistance project shall take whatever steps  
33 are necessary to provide its services, if requested, to the states of  
34 Oregon, Idaho, Montana, Alaska, and the Canadian provinces of British  
35 Columbia and Alberta. Interstate services shall not be provided by the  
36 Pacific Northwest export assistance project during its first biennium  
37 of operation. The provision of services may be temporary and subject  
38 to the payment of fees, or each state may request permanent services  
39 contingent upon a level of permanent funding adequate for services

1 provided. Temporary services and fees may be negotiated by the small  
2 business export finance assistance center's president subject to  
3 approval of the board of directors. The president of the small  
4 business export finance assistance center may enter into negotiations  
5 with neighboring states to contract for delivery of the project's  
6 services. Final contracts for providing the project's counseling and  
7 services outside of the state of Washington on a permanent basis shall  
8 be subject to approval of the governor, appropriate legislative  
9 oversight committees, and the small business export finance assistance  
10 center's board of directors.

11 (6) The small business export finance assistance center may receive  
12 such gifts, grants, and endowments from public or private sources as  
13 may be made from time to time, in trust or otherwise, for the use and  
14 benefit of the purposes of the Pacific Northwest export assistance  
15 project and expend the same or any income therefrom according to the  
16 terms of the gifts, grants, or endowments.

17 (7) The president of the small business export finance assistance  
18 center, in consultation with the board of directors, may use the  
19 following formula in determining the number of clients that can be  
20 reasonably served by the Pacific Northwest export assistance project  
21 relative to its appropriation. Divide the amount appropriated for  
22 administration of the Pacific Northwest export assistance project by  
23 the marginal cost of adding each additional Pacific Northwest export  
24 assistance project client. For the purposes of this calculation, and  
25 only for the first biennium of operation, the biennial marginal cost of  
26 adding each additional Pacific Northwest export assistance project  
27 client shall be fifty-seven thousand ninety-five dollars. The biennial  
28 marginal cost of adding each additional client after the first biennium  
29 of operation shall be established from the actual operating experience  
30 of the Pacific Northwest export assistance project.

31 **Sec. 30.** RCW 50.12.270 and 1991 c 315 s 3 are each amended to read  
32 as follows:

33 (1) Subject to the availability of state or federal funds, the  
34 employment security department, as a member of the agency ((~~timber~~))  
35 rural community assistance task force ((~~and in consultation with the~~  
36 ~~economic recovery coordination board~~)), shall consult with and may  
37 subcontract with local educational institutions, local businesses,  
38 local labor organizations, local associate development organizations,

1 local private industry councils, local social service organizations,  
2 and local governments in carrying out a program of training and  
3 services, including training through the ~~((self-employment and  
4 enterprise development (SEED)))~~ entrepreneurial training program, for  
5 dislocated workers in ~~((timber))~~ rural natural resources impact areas.

6 (2) The department shall conduct a survey to determine the actual  
7 future employment needs and jobs skills in ~~((timber))~~ rural natural  
8 resources impact areas.

9 (3) The department shall coordinate the services provided in this  
10 section with all other services provided by the department and with the  
11 other economic recovery efforts undertaken by state and local  
12 government agencies on behalf of the ~~((timber))~~ rural natural resources  
13 impact areas.

14 (4) The department shall make every effort to procure additional  
15 federal and other moneys for the efforts enumerated in this section.

16 (5) For the purposes of this section, ~~(("timber impact area" means  
17 a county having a population of less than five hundred thousand, or a  
18 city or town located within a county having a population of less than  
19 five hundred thousand, and meeting two of the following three criteria,  
20 as determined by the employment security department, for the most  
21 recent year such data is available: (a) A lumber and wood products  
22 employment location quotient at or above the state average; (b)  
23 projected or actual direct lumber and wood products job losses of one  
24 hundred positions or more, except counties having a population greater  
25 than two hundred thousand but less than five hundred thousand must have  
26 direct lumber and wood products job losses of one thousand positions or  
27 more; or (c) an annual unemployment rate twenty percent or more above  
28 the state average))~~ "Rural natural resources impact area" means:

29 (a) A nonmetropolitan county, as defined by the 1990 decennial  
30 census, that meets two of the five criteria set forth in subsection (6)  
31 of this section; or

32 (b) A nonurbanized area, as defined by the 1990 decennial census,  
33 that is located in a metropolitan county that meets two of the five  
34 criteria set forth in subsection (6) of this section.

35 (6) For the purposes of designating rural natural resources impact  
36 areas, the following criteria shall be considered:

37 (a) A lumber and wood products employment location quotient at or  
38 above the state average;

1 (b) A commercial salmon fishing employment location quotient at or  
2 above the state average;

3 (c) Projected or actual direct lumber and wood products job losses  
4 of one hundred positions or more;

5 (d) Projected or actual direct commercial salmon fishing job losses  
6 of one hundred positions or more; and

7 (e) An unemployment rate twenty percent or more above the state  
8 average. The counties that meet these criteria shall be determined by  
9 the employment security department for the most recent year for which  
10 data is available. For the purposes of administration of programs  
11 under this chapter, the United States post office five-digit zip code  
12 delivery areas will be used to determine residence status for  
13 eligibility purposes. For the purpose of this definition, a zip code  
14 delivery area that is located wholly or partially in an urbanized area  
15 or within two miles of an urbanized area is considered urbanized. The  
16 office of financial management shall make available a zip code listing  
17 of the areas to all agencies and organizations providing services under  
18 this chapter.

19 **Sec. 31.** RCW 50.70.010 and 1992 c 21 s 1 are each amended to read  
20 as follows:

21 Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in  
22 this section apply throughout this chapter.

23 (1) "Department" means the employment security department.

24 (2) "Dislocated forest products worker" means a forest products  
25 worker who: (a)(i) Has been terminated or received notice of  
26 termination from employment and is unlikely to return to employment in  
27 the individual's principal occupation or previous industry because of  
28 a diminishing demand for his or her skills in that occupation or  
29 industry; or (ii) is self-employed and has been displaced from his or  
30 her business because of the diminishing demand for the business's  
31 services or goods; and (b) at the time of last separation from  
32 employment, resided in or was employed in a (~~timber~~) rural natural  
33 resources impact area.

34 (3) "Forest products worker" means a worker in the forest products  
35 industries affected by the reduction of forest fiber enhancement,  
36 transportation, or production. The workers included within this  
37 definition shall be determined by the employment security department,  
38 but shall include workers employed in the industries assigned the major

1 group standard industrial classification codes "24" and "26" and the  
2 industries involved in the harvesting and management of logs,  
3 transportation of logs and wood products, processing of wood products,  
4 and the manufacturing and distribution of wood processing and logging  
5 equipment. The commissioner may adopt rules further interpreting these  
6 definitions. For the purposes of this subsection, "standard industrial  
7 classification code" means the code identified in RCW 50.29.025(6)(c).

8 (4) "Dislocated salmon fishing worker" means a salmon products  
9 worker who: (a)(i) Has been terminated or received notice of  
10 termination from employment and is unlikely to return to employment in  
11 the individual's principal occupation or previous industry because of  
12 a diminishing demand for his or her skills in that occupation or  
13 industry; or (ii) is self-employed and has been displaced from his or  
14 her business because of the diminishing demand for the business's  
15 services or goods; and (b) at the time of last separation from  
16 employment, resided in or was employed in a rural natural resources  
17 impact area.

18 (5) "Salmon fishing worker" means a worker in the salmon industry  
19 affected by 1994 or future salmon disasters. The workers included  
20 within this definition shall be determined by the employment security  
21 department, but shall include workers employed in the industries  
22 involved in the commercial and recreational harvesting of salmon  
23 including buying and processing salmon. The commissioner may adopt  
24 rules further interpreting these definitions.

25 (6) "Program" means the employment and career orientation program  
26 for dislocated forest products workers administered by the employment  
27 security department in conjunction with the department of natural  
28 resources.

29 ~~((+5))~~ (7) "Enrollee" means any person enrolled in the program.

30 ~~((+6))~~ (8) "Project" means the natural resource worker project.

31 ~~((+7))~~ (9) "~~((Timber)) Rural natural resources impact area" means:~~

32 (a) ~~((A county having a population of less than five hundred~~  
33 ~~thousand, or a city or town located within a county having a population~~  
34 ~~of less than five hundred thousand, and meeting two of the following~~  
35 ~~three criteria, as determined by the employment security department,~~  
36 ~~for the most recent year such data is available: (i) A lumber and wood~~  
37 ~~products employment location quotient at or above the state average;~~  
38 ~~(ii) projected or actual direct lumber and wood products job losses of~~  
39 ~~one hundred positions or more, except counties having a population~~

1 ~~greater than two hundred thousand but less than five hundred thousand~~  
2 ~~must have direct lumber and wood products job losses of one thousand~~  
3 ~~positions or more; or (iii) an annual unemployment rate twenty percent~~  
4 ~~or more above the state average)) A nonmetropolitan county, as defined  
5 by the 1990 decennial census, that meets two of the five criteria set  
6 forth in subsection (10) of this section; or~~

7 (b) A nonurbanized area, as defined by the 1990 decennial census,  
8 that is located in a metropolitan county that meets two of the five  
9 criteria set forth in subsection (10) of this section.

10 ~~((b) Additional communities as the economic recovery coordinating~~  
11 ~~board, established in RCW 43.31.631, designates based on a finding by~~  
12 ~~the board that each designated community is socially and economically~~  
13 ~~integrated with areas that meet the definition of a timber impact area~~  
14 ~~under (a) of this subsection.))~~

15 (10) For the purposes of designating rural natural resources impact  
16 areas, the following criteria shall be considered:

17 (a) A lumber and wood products employment location quotient at or  
18 above the state average;

19 (b) A commercial salmon fishing employment location quotient at or  
20 above the state average;

21 (c) Projected or actual direct lumber and wood products job losses  
22 of one hundred positions or more;

23 (d) Projected or actual direct commercial salmon fishing job losses  
24 of one hundred positions or more; and

25 (e) An unemployment rate twenty percent or more above the state  
26 average. The counties that meet these criteria shall be determined by  
27 the employment security department for the most recent year for which  
28 data is available. For the purposes of administration of programs  
29 under this chapter, the United States post office five-digit zip code  
30 delivery areas will be used to determine residence status for  
31 eligibility purposes. For the purpose of this definition, a zip code  
32 delivery area that is located wholly or partially in an urbanized area  
33 or within two miles of an urbanized area is considered urbanized. The  
34 office of financial management shall make available a zip code listing  
35 of the areas to all agencies and organizations providing services under  
36 this chapter.

37 **Sec. 32.** RCW 50.70.020 and 1991 c 315 s 6 are each amended to read  
38 as follows:



1 It is the purpose of this chapter to establish programs that offer  
2 dislocated forest and salmon products workers, in ((timber)) rural  
3 natural resources impact areas, opportunities for forest-related  
4 employment that utilizes their unique skills. Employment under the  
5 program shall not result in the displacement or partial displacement of  
6 currently employed workers. This includes, but is not limited to,  
7 state employees or currently or normally contracted service employees.

8 NEW SECTION. Sec. 33. The following acts or parts of acts are  
9 each repealed:

- 10 (1) RCW 43.31.661 and 1991 c 314 s 10; and  
11 (2) RCW 43.31.631 and 1993 c 316 s 3 & 1991 c 314 s 6.

12 NEW SECTION. Sec. 34. A new section is added to chapter 43.131  
13 RCW to read as follows:

14 All programs in this act shall be terminated on June 30, 1997.

15 NEW SECTION. Sec. 35. A new section is added to chapter 43.131  
16 RCW to read as follows:

17 The following acts or parts of acts are each repealed, effective  
18 June 30, 1998:

- 19 (1) RCW 43.31.601 and 1995 c . . . s 1 (section 1 of this act),  
20 1992 c 21 s 2, & 1991 c 314 s 2;  
21 (2) RCW 43.31.641 and 1995 c . . . s 4 (section 4 of this act),  
22 1993 c 280 s 50, & 1991 c 314 s 7;  
23 (3) RCW 50.22.090 and 1995 c . . . s 5 (section 5 of this act),  
24 1993 c 316 s 10, 1992 c 47 s 2, & 1991 c 315 s 4;  
25 (4) 1995 c . . . s 6 (section 6 of this act) & 1993 c 316 s 5  
26 (uncodified);  
27 (5) RCW 43.31.651 and 1995 c . . . s 10 (section 10 of this act),  
28 1993 c 280 s 51, & 1991 c 314 s 9;  
29 (6) RCW 43.63A.--- and 1995 c . . . s 11 (section 11 of this act);  
30 (7) RCW 43.63A.600 and 1995 c . . . s 12 (section 12 of this act),  
31 1994 c 114 s 1, 1993 c 280 s 77, & 1991 c 315 s 23;  
32 (8) RCW 43.63A.440 and 1995 c . . . s 13 (section 13 of this act),  
33 1993 c 280 s 74, & 1989 c 424 s 7;  
34 (9) RCW 43.160.210 and 1991 c 314 s 25;  
35 (10) RCW 28B.50.258 and 1995 c . . . s 18 (section 18 of this act)  
36 & 1991 c 315 s 16;

- 1 (11) RCW 28B.50.262 and 1995 c . . . s 19 (section 19 of this act)  
2 & 1994 c 282 s 3;
- 3 (12) RCW 28B.80.570 and 1995 c . . . s 20 (section 20 of this act),  
4 1992 c 21 s 6, & 1991 c 315 s 18;
- 5 (13) RCW 28B.80.575 and 1995 c . . . s 21 (section 21 of this act)  
6 & 1991 c 315 s 19;
- 7 (14) RCW 28B.80.580 and 1995 c . . . s 22 (section 22 of this act),  
8 1993 sp.s. c 18 s 34, 1992 c 231 s 31, & 1991 c 315 s 20;
- 9 (15) RCW 28B.80.585 and 1995 c . . . s 23 (section 23 of this act)  
10 & 1991 c 315 s 21;
- 11 (16) RCW 43.17.065 and 1995 c . . . s 24 (section 24 of this act),  
12 1993 c 280 s 37, 1991 c 314 s 28, & 1990 1st ex.s. c 17 s 77;
- 13 (17) RCW 43.20A.750 and 1995 c . . . s 25 (section 25 of this act),  
14 1993 c 280 s 38, 1992 c 21 s 4, & 1991 c 153 s 28;
- 15 (18) RCW 43.168.140 and 1995 c . . . s 28 (section 28 of this act)  
16 & 1991 c 314 s 20;
- 17 (19) RCW 50.12.270 and 1995 c . . . s 30 (section 30 of this act)  
18 & 1991 c 315 s 3;
- 19 (20) RCW 50.70.010 and 1995 c . . . s 31 (section 31 of this act),  
20 1992 c 21 s 1, & 1991 c 315 s 5; and
- 21 (21) RCW 50.70.020 and 1995 c . . . s 32 (section 32 of this act)  
22 & 1991 c 315 s 6.

23 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 36.** To facilitate the evaluation of the  
24 effectiveness programs authorized under this act, and to assist in the  
25 sunset review of this act by the legislative budget committee under  
26 sections 34 and 35 of this act, the rural community assistance task  
27 force shall develop a performance measurement system. The performance  
28 measurement system shall be developed in consultation with the  
29 legislative budget committee and the Washington performance partnership  
30 by November 1, 1995, and submitted to the appropriate policy and fiscal  
31 committees of the legislature.

32 The performance measurement system shall measure the performance of  
33 the program in relation to the primary intended results: (1) Increased  
34 employment; and (2) improved economic viability of families,  
35 businesses, and communities in the affected areas. The system should  
36 also focus on measures of efficiency such as cost per client and length  
37 of time required in training and assistance programs. In quantifying  
38 inputs into the programs, the measurement system must demonstrate the

1 negative impacts to the program clients resulting from the timber  
2 harvesting limitations and salmon-related problems.

3 Assessment of the results derived from the performance measurement  
4 system shall be the basis of the sunset review to be conducted by the  
5 legislative budget committee under sections 34 and 35 of this act.

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 37.** If any provision of this act or its  
7 application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the  
8 remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other  
9 persons or circumstances is not affected.

10 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 38.** If any part of this act is found to be in  
11 conflict with federal requirements that are a prescribed condition to  
12 the allocation of federal funds to the state, the conflicting part of  
13 this act is inoperative solely to the extent of the conflict and with  
14 respect to the agencies directly affected, and this finding does not  
15 affect the operation of the remainder of this act in its application to  
16 the agencies concerned. The rules under this act shall meet federal  
17 requirements that are a necessary condition to the receipt of federal  
18 funds by the state.

19 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 39.** This act is necessary for the immediate  
20 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the  
21 state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take  
22 effect July 1, 1995.

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