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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, 43.63A.021, 43.31.641, 43.63A.440, 43.160.020, 43.160.076, 28B.50.030, 28B.80.570, 28B.80.580, 50.12.270, 4 5 43.131.385, and 43.131.386; amending 1995 c 226 s 7 (uncodified); amending 1995 c 226 s 8 (uncodified); amending 1995 c 226 s 9 6 7 (uncodified); reenacting and amending RCW 50.22.090 and 43.20A.750; creating a new section; repealing RCW 43.31.651; providing an effective 8 date; providing expiration dates; and declaring an emergency.
- 10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 11 **Sec. 1.** RCW 43.31.601 and 1995 c 226 s 1 are each amended to read 12 as follows:
- For the purposes of RCW 43.31.601 through ((43.31.661)) 43.31.641:
- 14 (1) "Timber impact area" means a county having a population of less
- 15 than five hundred thousand, or a city or town located within a county
- 16 having a population of less than five hundred thousand, and meeting two
- 17 of the following three criteria, as determined by the employment
- 18 security department, for the most recent year such data is available:
- 19 (a) A lumber and wood products employment location quotient at or above

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- 1 the state average; (b) projected or actual direct lumber and wood
- 2 products job losses of one hundred positions or more, except counties
- 3 having a population greater than two hundred thousand but less than
- 4 five hundred thousand must have direct lumber and wood products job
- 5 losses of one thousand positions or more; or (c) an annual unemployment
- 6 rate twenty percent or more above the state average.
 - (2)(a) "Rural natural resources impact area" means:
- 8 (i) A nonmetropolitan county, as defined by the 1990 decennial
- 9 census, that meets ((two)) three of the five criteria set forth in (b)
- 10 of this subsection; ((or))

- (ii) A nonmetropolitan county with a population of less than forty
- 12 thousand in the 1990 decennial census, that meets two of the five
- 13 criteria as set forth in (b) of this subsection; or
- (iii) A nonurbanized area, as defined by the 1990 decennial census,
- 15 that is located in a metropolitan county that meets ((two)) three of
- 16 the five criteria set forth in (b) of this subsection.
- 17 (b) For the purposes of designating rural natural resources impact
- 18 areas, the following criteria shall be considered:
- 19 (i) A lumber and wood products employment location quotient at or
- 20 above the state average;
- 21 (ii) A commercial salmon fishing employment location quotient at or
- 22 above the state average;
- 23 (iii) Projected or actual direct lumber and wood products job
- 24 losses of one hundred positions or more;
- 25 (iv) Projected or actual direct commercial salmon fishing job
- 26 losses of one hundred positions or more; and
- (v) An unemployment rate twenty percent or more above the state
- 28 average.
- 29 The counties that meet these criteria shall be determined by the
- 30 employment security department for the most recent year for which data
- 31 is available. For the purposes of administration of programs under
- 32 this chapter, the United States post office five-digit zip code
- 33 delivery areas will be used to determine residence status for
- 34 eligibility purposes. For the purpose of this definition, a zip code
- 35 delivery area ((that is located wholly or partially in an urbanized
- 36 area or within two)) of which any part is ten miles ((of)) or more from
- 37 an urbanized area is considered nonurbanized. A zip code totally
- 38 <u>surrounded</u> by <u>zip</u> <u>codes</u> <u>qualifying</u> <u>as</u> <u>nonurbanized</u> <u>under</u> <u>this</u>
- 39 <u>definition is also considered nonurbanized.</u> The office of financial

- 1 management shall make available a zip code listing of the areas to all
- 2 agencies and organizations providing services under this chapter.
- 3 **Sec. 2.** RCW 43.31.611 and 1995 c 226 s 2 are each amended to read 4 as follows:
- 5 (1) The governor shall appoint a rural community assistance
- 6 coordinator. The coordinator shall coordinate the state and federal
- 7 economic and social programs targeted to rural natural resources impact
- 8 areas.
- 9 (2) The coordinator's responsibilities shall include but not be 10 limited to:
- 11 (a) Chairing the agency rural community assistance task force and 12 directing staff associated with the task force.
- 13 (b) Coordinating and maximizing the impact of state and federal 14 assistance to rural natural resources impact areas.
- 15 (c) Coordinating and expediting programs to assist rural natural 16 resources impact areas.
- 17 (d) Providing the legislature with a status and impact report on 18 the rural community assistance program in January ((1996)) 1998.
- 19 (3) To assist in carrying out the duties set out under this 20 section, the coordinator shall consult with the Washington state rural 21 development council and may appoint an advisory body that has 22 representation from local governments and natural resources interest 23 groups representing impacted rural communities.
- 24 (4) This section shall expire June 30, ((1997)) 2000.
- 25 **Sec. 3.** RCW 43.31.621 and 1996 c 186 s 508 are each amended to 26 read as follows:
- 27 (1) There is established the agency rural community assistance task 28 The task force shall be chaired by the rural community 29 assistance coordinator. It shall be the responsibility of the coordinator that all directives of chapter 314, Laws of 1991, and 30 chapter 226, Laws of 1995 are carried out expeditiously by the agencies 31 32 represented in the task force. The task force shall consist of the 33 directors, or representatives of the directors, of the following The department of community, trade, 34 agencies: and economic 35 development, employment security department, department of social and health services, state board for community and technical colleges, work 36 37 force training and education coordinating board, department of natural

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- resources, department of transportation, department of fish and 1 wildlife, University of Washington center for international trade in 2 forest products, department of agriculture, and department of ecology. 3 4 The task force shall solicit and consider input from the rural 5 development council in coordinating agency programs targeted to rural natural resources impacted communities. The task force may consult and 6 7 enlist the assistance of the following: The higher education 8 coordinating board, University of Washington college of forest 9 resources, University of Washington school of fisheries, Washington 10 State University school of forestry, Northwest policy center, state superintendent of public instruction, Washington state labor council, 11 the Evergreen partnership, Washington state association of counties, 12 13 and others as needed.
- 14 (2) ((The task force, in conjunction with the rural development 15 council, shall undertake a study to determine whether additional communities and industries are impacted, or are likely to be impacted, 16 by salmon preservation and recovery efforts. The task force shall 17 consider possible impacts in the following industries and associated 18 19 communities: Barge transportation, irrigation dependent agriculture, 20 food processing, aluminum, charter recreational fishing, boatbuilding, and other sectors suggested by the task force. The task force shall 21 22 report its findings and recommendations to the legislature by January 1996)) Recognizing that some rural natural resources areas have greater 23 24 economic distress than others, the task force will consider the severity of the impact as a significant project selection criteria, 25 26 both at the county and subcounty level.
- 27 (3) This section shall expire June 30, $((\frac{1997}{}))$ 2000.
- 28 **Sec. 4.** RCW 50.22.090 and 1995 c 226 s 5 and 1995 c 57 s 2 are 29 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
- 30 (1) An additional benefit period is established for rural natural 31 resources impact areas, defined in RCW 43.31.601, and determined by the 32 office of financial management and the employment security department. 33 Benefits shall be paid as provided in subsection (3) of this section to 34 exhaustees eligible under subsection (4) of this section.
- 35 (2) The additional benefit period for a county may end no sooner 36 than fifty-two weeks after the additional benefit period begins.
 - (3) Additional benefits shall be paid as follows:

- 1 (a) No new claims for additional benefits shall be accepted for 2 weeks beginning after July 1, $((\frac{1997}{}))$ $\underline{1999}$, but for claims established 3 on or before July 1, $((\frac{1997}{}))$ $\underline{1999}$, weeks of unemployment occurring 4 after July 1, $((\frac{1997}{}))$ $\underline{1999}$, shall be compensated as provided in this 5 section.
- (b) The total additional benefit amount shall be one hundred four 6 7 times the individual's weekly benefit amount, reduced by the total 8 amount of regular benefits and extended benefits paid, or deemed paid, 9 with respect to the benefit year. Additional benefits shall not be 10 payable for weeks more than two years beyond the end of the benefit year of the regular claim for an individual whose benefit year ends on 11 or after July 27, 1991, and shall not be payable for weeks ending on or 12 13 after two years after March 26, 1992, for individuals who become eligible as a result of chapter 47, Laws of 1992. 14
- 15 (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of (b) of this subsection, 16 individuals will be entitled to up to five additional weeks of benefits 17 following the completion or termination of training.

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- (d) Notwithstanding the provisions of (b) of this subsection, individuals enrolled in prerequisite remedial education for a training program expected to last at least one year will be entitled to up to thirteen additional weeks of benefits which shall not count toward the total in (b) of this subsection.
- (e) The weekly benefit amount shall be calculated as specified in RCW 50.22.040.
- (f) Benefits paid under this section shall be paid under the same terms and conditions as regular benefits. The additional benefit period shall be suspended with the start of an extended benefit period, or any totally federally funded benefit program, with eligibility criteria and benefits comparable to the program established by this section, and shall resume the first week following the end of the federal program.
- 32 (g) The amendments in chapter 316, Laws of 1993 affecting 33 subsection (3)(b) and (c) of this section shall apply in the case of 34 all individuals determined to be monetarily eligible under this section 35 without regard to the date eligibility was determined.
- 36 (4) An additional benefit eligibility period is established for any 37 exhaustee who:
- 38 (a)(i) At the time of last separation from employment, resided in 39 or was employed in a rural natural resources impact area defined in RCW

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- 43.31.601 and determined by the office of financial management and the employment security department; ((or)) and
- 3 (ii) During his or her base year, earned wages in at least six 4 hundred eighty hours in either the forest products industry, which 5 shall be determined by the department but shall include the industries assigned the major group standard industrial classification codes "24" 6 7 and "26" and the industries involved in the harvesting and management 8 of logs, transportation of logs and wood products, processing of wood products, and the manufacturing and distribution of wood processing and 9 10 logging equipment or the fishing industry assigned the standard industrial classification code "0912". The commissioner may adopt 11 further interpreting the industries covered under 12 rules 13 subsection. For the purposes of this subsection, "standard industrial 14 classification code" means the code identified in RCW 50.29.025(6)(c); 15 and
- 16 (b)(i) Has received notice of termination or layoff; and
- (ii) Is unlikely to return to employment in his or her principal occupation or previous industry because of a diminishing demand within his or her labor market for his or her skills in the occupation or industry; and
 - (c)(i) Is notified by the department of the requirements of this section and develops an individual training program that is submitted to the commissioner for approval not later than sixty days after the individual is notified of the requirements of this section, and enters the approved training program not later than ninety days after the date of the individual's termination or layoff, or ninety days after July 1, 1991, whichever is later, unless the department determines that the training is not available during the ninety-day period, in which case the individual shall enter training as soon as it is available; or
- (ii) Is enrolled in training approved under this section on a fulltime basis and maintains satisfactory progress in the training.
- 32 (5) For the purposes of this section:
- 33 (a) "Training program" means:

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- (i) A remedial education program determined to be necessary after counseling at the educational institution in which the individual enrolls pursuant to his or her approved training program; or
- 37 (ii) A vocational training program at an educational institution 38 that:
- 39 (A) Is training for a labor demand occupation; and

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- 1 (B) Is likely to facilitate a substantial enhancement of the 2 individual's marketable skills and earning power.
- 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, cash7 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.
- (7) The provisions of RCW 50.22.010(10) shall not apply to anyone who establishes eligibility for additional benefits under this section and whose benefit year ends after January 1, 1994. These individuals will have the option of remaining on the original claim or filing a new claim.
- 17 **Sec. 5.** RCW 43.63A.021 and 1995 c 226 s 11 are each amended to 18 read as follows:
- 19 Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in 20 this section apply throughout this chapter.

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- (1) "Dislocated forest products worker" means a forest products worker who: (a)(i) Has been terminated or received notice of termination from employment and is unlikely to return to employment in the individual's principal occupation or previous industry because of a diminishing demand for his or her skills in that occupation or industry; or (ii) is self-employed and has been displaced from his or her business because of the diminishing demand for the business's services or goods; and (b) at the time of last separation from employment, resided in or was employed in a rural natural resources impact area.
- (2) "Forest products worker" means a worker in the forest products 31 industries affected by the reduction of forest fiber enhancement, 32 transportation, or production. 33 The workers included within this 34 definition shall be determined by the employment security department, but shall include workers employed in the industries assigned the major 35 36 group standard industrial classification codes "24" and "26" and the 37 industries involved in the harvesting and management of logs, 38 transportation of logs and wood products, processing of wood products,

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- and the manufacturing and distribution of wood processing and logging equipment. The commissioner may adopt rules further interpreting these definitions. For the purposes of this subsection, "standard industrial classification code" means the code identified in RCW 50.29.025(6)(c).
- 5 (3) "Dislocated salmon fishing worker" means a ((salmon)) finfish products worker who: (a)(i) Has been terminated or received notice of 6 7 termination from employment and is unlikely to return to employment in 8 the individual's principal occupation or previous industry because of 9 a diminishing demand for his or her skills in that occupation or 10 industry; or (ii) is self-employed and has been displaced from his or her business because of the diminishing demand for the business's 11 services or goods; and (b) at the time of last separation from 12 13 employment, resided in or was employed in a rural natural resources 14 impact area.
- 15 (4) "Salmon fishing worker" means a worker in the ((salmon)) finfish industry affected by 1994 or future salmon disasters. 16 workers included within this definition shall be determined by the 17 employment security department, but shall include workers employed in 18 19 the industries involved in the commercial and recreational harvesting 20 of ((salmon)) finfish including buying and processing ((salmon)) The commissioner may adopt rules further interpreting these 21 definitions. 22
- 23 **Sec. 6.** RCW 43.31.641 and 1995 c 226 s 4 are each amended to read 24 as follows:
- 25 The department of community, trade, and economic development, as a 26 member of the agency rural community assistance task force, shall:
- 27 (1) ((Implement an expanded value-added forest products development 28 industrial extension program. The department shall provide technical 29 assistance to small and medium-sized forest products companies to 30 include:
- 31 (a) Secondary manufacturing product development;
- 32 (b) Plant and equipment maintenance;
- 33 (c) Identification and development of domestic market 34 opportunities;
- 35 (d) Building products export development assistance;
- 36 (e) At-risk business development assistance;
- 37 (f) Business network development; and
- 38 (q) Timber impact area industrial diversification.

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

- (3) Contract with local business organizations in timber impact areas for development of programs to promote industrial diversification. The department shall provide local capacity-building grants to local governments and community-based organizations in timber impact areas, which may include long-range planning and needs assessments.
- For the 1991-93 biennium, the department of community, trade, and economic development shall use funds appropriated for this section for contracts and for no more than two additional staff positions))

 Administer available federal grant funds to support strategic diversification needs and opportunities of timber-dependent communities, value-added forest products firms, and the value-added forest products industry in Washington state.
- 18 <u>(2) Provide value-added wood products companies with building</u>
 19 <u>products export development assistance</u>.
- **Sec. 7.** RCW 43.63A.440 and 1995 c 226 s 13 are each amended to 21 read as follows:
 - The department of community, trade, and economic development shall provide technical and financial assistance to communities adversely impacted by reductions in timber harvested from federal, state, and private lands and reduction of salmon fishing caused by efforts to maintain the long-term viability of salmon stocks. ((This assistance shall include the formation and implementation of community economic development plans. The department of community, trade, and economic development shall utilize existing state technical and financial assistance programs, and shall aid communities in seeking private and federal financial assistance for the purposes of this section. The department may contract for services provided for under this section)) The department shall use existing technical and financial assistance resources to aid communities in planning, implementing, and assembling financing for high priority community economic development projects.
- **Sec. 8.** RCW 43.160.020 and 1996 c 51 s 2 are each amended to read 37 as follows:

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- 1 Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in 2 this section apply throughout this chapter.
 - (1) "Board" means the community economic revitalization board.

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- 4 (2) "Bond" means any bond, note, debenture, interim certificate, or 5 other evidence of financial indebtedness issued by the board pursuant 6 to this chapter.
- 7 (3) "Department" means the department of community, trade, and 8 economic development.
- 9 (4) "Financial institution" means any bank, savings and loan 10 association, credit union, development credit corporation, insurance 11 company, investment company, trust company, savings institution, or 12 other financial institution approved by the board and maintaining an 13 office in the state.
- 14 (5) "Industrial development facilities" means "industrial 15 development facilities" as defined in RCW 39.84.020.
- 16 (6) "Industrial development revenue bonds" means tax-exempt revenue 17 bonds used to fund industrial development facilities.
- (7) "Local government" or "political subdivision" means any port district, county, city, town, special purpose district, and any other municipal corporations or quasi-municipal corporations in the state providing for public facilities under this chapter.
 - (8) "Sponsor" means any of the following entities which customarily provide service or otherwise aid in industrial or other financing and are approved as a sponsor by the board: A bank, trust company, savings bank, investment bank, national banking association, savings and loan association, building and loan association, credit union, insurance company, or any other financial institution, governmental agency, or holding company of any entity specified in this subsection.
- (9) "Umbrella bonds" means industrial development revenue bonds from which the proceeds are loaned, transferred, or otherwise made available to two or more users under this chapter.
- 32 (10) "User" means one or more persons acting as lessee, purchaser, 33 mortgagor, or borrower under a financing document and receiving or 34 applying to receive revenues from bonds issued under this chapter.
- 35 (11) "Public facilities" means bridges, roads, domestic and 36 industrial water, sanitary sewer, storm sewer, railroad, electricity, 37 natural gas, buildings or structures, and port facilities.
 - (12) "Rural natural resources impact area" means:

- 1 (a) A nonmetropolitan county, as defined by the 1990 decennial 2 census, that meets ((two)) three of the five criteria set forth in 3 subsection (13) of this section; ((or))
- 4 (b) A nonmetropolitan county with a population of less than forty
 5 thousand in the 1990 decennial census, that meets two of the five
 6 criteria as set forth in subsection (13) of this section; or
- 7 (c) A nonurbanized area, as defined by the 1990 decennial census, 8 that is located in a metropolitan county that meets ((two)) three of 9 the five criteria set forth in subsection (13) of this section.
- 10 (13) For the purposes of designating rural natural resources impact 11 areas, the following criteria shall be considered:
- 12 (a) A lumber and wood products employment location quotient at or 13 above the state average;
- 14 (b) A commercial salmon fishing employment location quotient at or 15 above the state average;
- 16 (c) Projected or actual direct lumber and wood products job losses 17 of one hundred positions or more;
- 18 (d) Projected or actual direct commercial salmon fishing job losses 19 of one hundred positions or more; and
- 20 (e) An unemployment rate twenty percent or more above the state 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 24 under this chapter, the United States post office five-digit zip code 25 delivery areas will be used to determine residence status for eligibility purposes. For the purpose of this definition, a zip code 26 27 delivery area ((that is located wholly or partially in an urbanized area or within two)) of which any part is ten miles ((of)) or more from 28 29 an urbanized area is considered <u>non</u>urbanized. A zip code totally 30 surrounded by zip codes qualifying as nonurbanized under this definition is also considered nonurbanized. The office of financial 31 management shall make available a zip code listing of the areas to all 32 33 agencies and organizations providing services under this chapter.
- 34 **Sec. 9.** RCW 43.160.076 and 1996 c 51 s 7 are each amended to read 35 as follows:
- 36 (1) Except as authorized to the contrary under subsection (2) of 37 this section, from all funds available to the board for financial 38 assistance in a biennium, the board shall spend at least ((fifty))

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- 1 seventy-five percent for financial assistance for projects in
- 2 distressed counties or rural natural resources impact areas. For
- 3 purposes of this section, the term "distressed counties" includes any
- 4 county, in which the average level of unemployment for the three years
- 5 before the year in which an application for financial assistance is
- 6 filed, exceeds the average state employment for those years by twenty
- 7 percent.
- 8 (2) If at any time during the last six months of a biennium the
- 9 board finds that the actual and anticipated applications for qualified
- 10 projects in distressed counties or rural natural resources impact areas
- 11 are clearly insufficient to use up the ((fifty)) seventy-five percent
- 12 allocation, then the board shall estimate the amount of the
- 13 insufficiency and during the remainder of the biennium may use that
- 14 amount of the allocation for financial assistance to projects not
- 15 located in distressed counties or rural natural resources impact areas.
- 16 Sec. 10. 1995 c 226 s 7 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:
- 17 RCW 43.160.076 and 1991 c 314 s 24 & 1985 c 446 s 6 are each
- 18 repealed effective June 30, ((1997)) <u>2000</u>.
- 19 Sec. 11. 1995 c 226 s 8 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:
- 20 RCW 43.160.200 expires June 30, $((\frac{1997}{1}))$ 2000.
- 21 Sec. 12. 1995 c 226 s 9 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows:
- 22 RCW 43.160.210 shall take effect June 30, $((\frac{1997}{1}))$ 2000.
- 23 Sec. 13. RCW 28B.50.030 and 1995 c 226 s 17 are each amended to
- 24 read as follows:
- 25 As used in this chapter, unless the context requires otherwise, the
- 26 term:
- 27 (1) "System" shall mean the state system of community and technical
- 28 colleges, which shall be a system of higher education.
- 29 (2) "Board" shall mean the work force training and education
- 30 coordinating board.
- 31 (3) "College board" shall mean the state board for community and
- 32 technical colleges created by this chapter.
- 33 (4) "Director" shall mean the administrative director for the state
- 34 system of community and technical colleges.

- 1 (5) "District" shall mean any one of the community and technical college districts created by this chapter.
- 3 (6) "Board of trustees" shall mean the local community and 4 technical college board of trustees established for each college 5 district within the state.
- 6 (7) "Occupational education" shall mean that education or training 7 that will prepare a student for employment that does not require a 8 baccalaureate degree.
- 9 (8) "K-12 system" shall mean the public school program including 10 kindergarten through the twelfth grade.
- 11 (9) "Common school board" shall mean a public school district board 12 of directors.
- 13 (10) "Community college" shall include those higher education 14 institutions that conduct education programs under RCW 28B.50.020.
- 15 (11) "Technical college" shall include those higher education institutions with the sole mission of conducting occupational 16 education, basic skills, literacy programs, and offering on short 17 notice, when appropriate, programs that meet specific industry needs. 18 19 The programs of technical colleges shall include, but not be limited 20 to, continuous enrollment, competency-based instruction, industryexperienced faculty, curriculum integrating vocational and basic skills 21 22 education, and curriculum approved by representatives of employers and labor. For purposes of this chapter, technical colleges shall include 23 24 Lake Washington Vocational-Technical Institute, Renton Vocational-25 Technical Institute, Bates Vocational-Technical Institute, Clover Park 26 Vocational Institute, and Bellingham Vocational-Technical Institute.
- (12) "Adult education" shall mean all education or instruction, 27 28 including academic, vocational education or training, basic skills and 29 literacy training, and "occupational education" provided by public 30 educational institutions, including common school districts for persons 31 who are eighteen years of age and over or who hold a high school diploma or certificate. However, "adult education" shall not include 32 academic education or instruction for persons under twenty-one years of 33 34 age who do not hold a high school degree or diploma and who are 35 attending a public high school for the sole purpose of obtaining a high school diploma or certificate, nor shall "adult education" include 36 37 education or instruction provided by any four year public institution 38 of higher education.

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

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- (14) "Forest products worker" shall mean a worker in the forest 11 products industries affected by the reduction of forest fiber 12 13 enhancement, transportation, or production. The workers included within this definition shall be determined by the employment security 14 15 department, but shall include workers employed in the industries 16 assigned the major group standard industrial classification codes "24" 17 and "26" and the industries involved in the harvesting and management of logs, transportation of logs and wood products, processing of wood 18 19 products, and the manufacturing and distribution of wood processing and 20 logging equipment. The commissioner may adopt rules interpreting these definitions. For the purposes of this subsection, 21 "standard industrial classification code" means the code identified in 22 23 RCW 50.29.025(6)(c).
 - (15) "Dislocated salmon fishing worker" means a ((salmon)) finfish products worker who: (a)(i) Has been terminated or received notice of termination from employment and is unlikely to return to employment in the individual's principal occupation or previous industry because of a diminishing demand for his or her skills in that occupation or industry; or (ii) is self-employed and has been displaced from his or her business because of the diminishing demand for the business's services or goods; and (b) at the time of last separation from employment, resided in or was employed in a rural natural resources impact area.
- (16) "Salmon fishing worker" means a worker in the ((salmon))

 finfish industry affected by 1994 or future salmon disasters. The

 workers included within this definition shall be determined by the

 employment security department, but shall include workers employed in

 the industries involved in the commercial and recreational harvesting

 of ((salmon)) finfish including buying and processing ((salmon))

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- 1 finfish. The commissioner may adopt rules further interpreting these
 2 definitions.
 - (17) "Rural natural resources impact area" means:

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- 4 (a) A nonmetropolitan county, as defined by the 1990 decennial census, that meets ((two)) three of the five criteria set forth in subsection (18) of this section; ((or))
- 7 (b) A nonmetropolitan county with a population of less than forty 8 thousand in the 1990 decennial census, that meets two of the five 9 criteria as set forth in subsection (18) of this section; or
- 10 <u>(c)</u> A nonurbanized area, as defined by the 1990 decennial census, 11 that is located in a metropolitan county that meets ((two)) three of 12 the five criteria set forth in subsection (18) of this section.
- 13 (18) For the purposes of designating rural natural resources impact 14 areas, the following criteria shall be considered:
- 15 (a) A lumber and wood products employment location quotient at or 16 above the state average;
- 17 (b) A commercial salmon fishing employment location quotient at or 18 above the state average;
- 19 (c) Projected or actual direct lumber and wood products job losses 20 of one hundred positions or more;
- 21 (d) Projected or actual direct commercial salmon fishing job losses 22 of one hundred positions or more; and
- 23 (e) An unemployment rate twenty percent or more above the state 24 average. The counties that meet these criteria shall be determined by 25 the employment security department for the most recent year for which 26 data is available. For the purposes of administration of programs 27 under this chapter, the United States post office five-digit zip code delivery areas will be used to determine residence status for 28 eligibility purposes. For the purpose of this definition, a zip code 29 30 delivery area ((that is located wholly or partially in an urbanized 31 area or within two)) of which any part is ten miles ((of)) or more from an urbanized area is considered nonurbanized. A zip code totally 32 surrounded by zip codes qualifying as nonurbanized under this 33 34 definition is also considered nonurbanized. The office of financial 35 management shall make available a zip code listing of the areas to all
- 37 **Sec. 14.** RCW 28B.80.570 and 1995 c 226 s 20 are each amended to 38 read as follows:

agencies and organizations providing services under this chapter.

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- Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout RCW 28B.80.575 through 28B.80.585.
 - (1) "Board" means the higher education coordinating board.

- (2) "Dislocated forest products worker" means a forest products worker who: (a)(i) Has been terminated or received notice of termination from employment and is unlikely to return to employment in the individual's principal occupation or previous industry because of a diminishing demand for his or her skills in that occupation or industry; or (ii) is self-employed and has been displaced from his or her business because of the diminishing demand for the business's services or goods; and (b) at the time of last separation from employment, resided in or was employed in a rural natural resources impact area.
- (3) "Forest products worker" means a worker in the forest products industries affected by the reduction of forest fiber enhancement, transportation, or production. The workers included within this definition shall be determined by the employment security department, but shall include workers employed in the industries assigned the major group standard industrial classification codes "24" and "26" and the industries involved in the harvesting and management of logs, transportation of logs and wood products, processing of wood products, and the manufacturing and distribution of wood processing and logging equipment. The commissioner may adopt rules further interpreting these definitions. For the purposes of this subsection, "standard industrial classification code" means the code identified in RCW 50.29.025(6)(c).
- (4) "Dislocated salmon fishing worker" means a ((salmon)) finfish products worker who: (a)(i) Has been terminated or received notice of termination from employment and is unlikely to return to employment in the individual's principal occupation or previous industry because of a diminishing demand for his or her skills in that occupation or industry; or (ii) is self-employed and has been displaced from his or her business because of the diminishing demand for the business's services or goods; and (b) at the time of last separation from employment, resided in or was employed in a rural natural resources impact area.
- (5) "Salmon fishing worker" means a worker in the ((salmon)) finfish industry affected by 1994 or future salmon disasters. The workers included within this definition shall be determined by the employment security department, but shall include workers employed in

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- 1 the industries involved in the commercial and recreational harvesting
- 2 of ((salmon)) finfish including buying and processing ((salmon))
- $\frac{1}{2}$ finfish. The commissioner may adopt rules further interpreting these definitions.
- 5 (6) "Rural natural resources impact area" means:
- 6 (a) A nonmetropolitan county, as defined by the 1990 decennial 7 census, that meets ((two)) three of the five criteria set forth in 8 subsection (7) of this section; ((or))
- 9 (b) A nonmetropolitan county with a population of less than forty
 10 thousand in the 1990 decennial census, that meets two of the five
 11 criteria as set forth in subsection (7) of this section; or
- 12 <u>(c)</u> A nonurbanized area, as defined by the 1990 decennial census, 13 that is located in a metropolitan county that meets ((two)) three of 14 the five criteria set forth in subsection (7) of this section.
- 15 (7) 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;
- (c) Projected or actual direct lumber and wood products job losses 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 eligibility purposes. For the purpose of this definition, a zip code 31 delivery area ((that is located wholly or partially in an urbanized 32 area or within two)) of which any part is ten miles ((of)) or more from 33 34 an urbanized area is considered nonurbanized. A zip code totally surrounded by zip codes qualifying as nonurbanized under this 35 definition is also considered nonurbanized. The office of financial 36 37 management shall make available a zip code listing of the areas to all

agencies and organizations providing services under this chapter.

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1 **Sec. 15.** RCW 28B.80.580 and 1995 c 226 s 22 are each amended to 2 read as follows:

- 3 (1) The board shall contract with institutions of higher education 4 to provide upper division classes to serve additional placebound students in the rural natural resources impact areas meeting the 5 following criteria, as determined by 6 the employment security 7 (a) A lumber and wood products employment location department: 8 quotient at or above the state average; (b) a commercial salmon fishing 9 employment location quotient at or above the state average; (c) a 10 direct lumber and wood products job loss of one hundred positions or more; (d) projected or actual direct commercial salmon fishing job 11 losses of one hundred positions or more; and (e) an annual unemployment 12 13 rate twenty percent above the state average; and which are not served by an existing state-funded upper division degree program. The number 14 15 of full-time equivalent students served in this manner shall be 16 determined by the applicable omnibus appropriations act. The board may 17 direct that all the full-time equivalent enrollments be served in one of the eligible rural natural resources impact areas if it should 18 19 determine that this would be the most viable manner of establishing the program and using available resources. The institutions shall utilize 20 telecommunication technology, if available, to carry out the purposes 21 Subject to the limitations of RCW 28B.15.910, the 22 of this section. 23 institutions providing the service may waive all or a portion of the 24 tuition, and service and activities fees for dislocated forest products 25 workers and dislocated salmon fishing workers or their unemployed 26 spouses enrolled as one of the full-time equivalent students allocated 27 to the college under this section.
- (2) Unemployed spouses of eligible dislocated forest products workers and dislocated salmon fishing workers may participate in the program, but tuition and fees may be waived under the program only for the worker or the spouse and not both.
- 32 (3) Subject to the limitations of RCW 28B.15.910, for any eligible
 33 participant, all or a portion of tuition may be waived for a maximum of
 34 ((four semesters or six quarters within a two-year time period)) ninety
 35 quarter credit hours or sixty semester credit hours earned within four
 36 years. The participant must be enrolled for a minimum of ((ten credits
 37 per semester or quarter)) five credit hours per quarter or three credit
 38 hours per semester.

- 3 (1) The department of social and health services shall help 4 families and workers in rural natural resources impact areas make the transition through economic difficulties and shall provide services to 5 assist workers to gain marketable skills. The department, as a member 6 7 of the agency rural community assistance task force and, where 8 appropriate, under an interagency agreement with the department of 9 community, trade, and economic development, shall provide grants 10 through the office of the secretary for services to the unemployed in 11 rural natural resources impact areas and to dislocated salmon fishing workers as defined in RCW 43.63A.021 who live in urban areas of 12 qualifying rural natural resource impact counties, including providing 13 direct or referral services, establishing and operating service 14 15 delivery programs, and coordinating delivery programs and delivery of 16 services. These grants may be awarded for family support centers, 17 reemployment centers, or other local service agencies.
- 18 (2) The services provided through the grants may include, but need 19 not be limited to: Credit counseling; social services including 20 marital counseling; psychotherapy or psychological counseling; mortgage 21 foreclosures and utilities problems counseling; drug and alcohol abuse 22 services; medical services; and residential heating and food 23 acquisition.

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- (3) Funding for these services shall be coordinated through the agency rural community assistance task force which will establish a fund to provide child care assistance, mortgage assistance, and counseling which cannot be met through current programs. No funds shall be used for additional full-time equivalents for administering this section.
- 30 (4)(a) Grants for family support centers are intended to provide 31 support to families by responding to needs identified by the families and communities served by the centers. Services provided by family 32 support centers may include parenting education, child development 33 34 assessments, health and nutrition education, counseling, information and referral services. Such services may be provided 35 directly by the center or through referral to other agencies 36 37 participating in the interagency team.
- 38 (b) The department shall consult with the council on child abuse or 39 neglect regarding grants for family support centers.

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- (5) "Rural natural resources impact area" means: 1
- 2 (a) A nonmetropolitan county, as defined by the 1990 decennial census, that meets ((two)) three of the five criteria set forth in 3 4 subsection (6) of this section; ((or))
- (b) A nonmetropolitan county with a population of less than forty 5 thousand in the 1990 decennial census, that meets two of the five 6 7 criteria as set forth in subsection (6) of this section; or
- 8 (c) A nonurbanized area, as defined by the 1990 decennial census, 9 that is located in a metropolitan county that meets ((two)) three of 10 the five criteria set forth in subsection (6) of this section.
- (6) For the purposes of designating rural natural resources impact 11 12 areas, the following criteria shall be considered:
- 13 (a) A lumber and wood products employment location quotient at or above the state average; 14
- 15 (b) A commercial salmon fishing employment location quotient at or 16 above the state average;
- 17 (c) Projected or actual direct lumber and wood products job losses of one hundred positions or more; 18
- 19 (d) Projected or actual direct commercial salmon fishing job losses 20 of one hundred positions or more; and
- (e) An unemployment rate twenty percent or more above the state 21 average. The counties that meet these criteria shall be determined by 22 the employment security department for the most recent year for which 23 24 data is available. For the purposes of administration of programs 25 under this chapter, the United States post office five-digit zip code 26 delivery areas will be used to determine residence status for 27 eligibility purposes. For the purpose of this definition, a zip code delivery area ((that is located wholly or partially in an urbanized 28 29 area or within two)) of which any part is ten miles ((of)) or more from 30 an urbanized area is considered <u>non</u>urbanized. A zip code totally 31 surrounded by zip codes qualifying as nonurbanized under this definition is also considered nonurbanized. The office of financial 32 management shall make available a zip code listing of the areas to all 33 agencies and organizations providing services under this chapter.
- Sec. 17. RCW 50.12.270 and 1995 c 226 s 30 are each amended to 35 36 read as follows:
- 37 (1) Subject to the availability of state or federal funds, the employment security department, as a member of the agency rural 38

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- 1 community assistance task force, shall consult with and may subcontract
- 2 with local educational institutions, local businesses, local labor
- 3 organizations, local associate development organizations, local private
- 4 industry councils, local social service organizations, and local
- 5 governments in carrying out a program of training and services,
- 6 including training through the entrepreneurial training program, for
- 7 dislocated workers in rural natural resources impact areas.
- 8 (2) The department shall conduct a survey to determine the actual
- 9 future employment needs and jobs skills in rural natural resources
- 10 impact areas.
- 11 (3) The department shall coordinate the services provided in this
- 12 section with all other services provided by the department and with the
- 13 other economic recovery efforts undertaken by state and local
- 14 government agencies on behalf of the rural natural resources impact
- 15 areas.
- 16 (4) The department shall make every effort to procure additional
- 17 federal and other moneys for the efforts enumerated in this section.
- 18 (5) For the purposes of this section, "rural natural resources
- 19 impact area" means:
- 20 (a) A nonmetropolitan county, as defined by the 1990 decennial
- 21 census, that meets ((two)) three of the five criteria set forth in
- 22 subsection (6) of this section; ((or))
- 23 (b) A nonmetropolitan county with a population of less than forty
- 24 thousand in the 1990 decennial census, that meets two of the five
- 25 criteria as set forth in subsection (6) of this section; or
- 26 (c) A nonurbanized area, as defined by the 1990 decennial census,
- 27 that is located in a metropolitan county that meets ((two)) three of
- 28 the five criteria set forth in subsection (6) of this section.
- 29 (6) For the purposes of designating rural natural resources impact
- 30 areas, the following criteria shall be considered:
- 31 (a) A lumber and wood products employment location quotient at or
- 32 above the state average;
- 33 (b) A commercial salmon fishing employment location quotient at or
- 34 above the state average;
- 35 (c) Projected or actual direct lumber and wood products job losses
- 36 of one hundred positions or more;
- 37 (d) Projected or actual direct commercial salmon fishing job losses
- 38 of one hundred positions or more; and

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- (e) An unemployment rate twenty percent or more above the state 1 2 average. The counties that meet these criteria shall be determined by the employment security department for the most recent year for which 3 4 data is available. For the purposes of administration of programs under this chapter, the United States post office five-digit zip code 5 delivery areas will be used to determine residence status for 6 eligibility purposes. For the purpose of this definition, a zip code 7 delivery area ((that is located wholly or partially in an urbanized 8 area or within two)) of which any part is ten miles ((of)) or more from 9 10 an urbanized area is considered nonurbanized. A zip code totally surrounded by zip codes qualifying as nonurbanized under this 11 definition is also considered nonurbanized. The office of financial 12 13 management shall make available a zip code listing of the areas to all agencies and organizations providing services under this chapter. 14
- 15 **Sec. 18.** RCW 43.131.385 and 1995 c 226 s 34 are each amended to 16 read as follows:
- The rural natural resources impact area programs shall be terminated on June 30, ((1998)) 2000, as provided in RCW 43.131.386.
- 19 **Sec. 19.** RCW 43.131.386 and 1996 c 168 s 5 are each amended to 20 read as follows:
- The following acts or parts of acts are each repealed, effective June 30, ((1999)) 2001:
- 23 (1) RCW 43.31.601 and 1995 c 226 s 1, 1992 c 21 s 2, & 1991 c 314 24 s 2;
- 25 (2) RCW 43.31.641 and 1995 c 226 s 4, 1993 c 280 s 50, & 1991 c 314 26 s 7;
- 27 (3) RCW 50.22.090 and 1995 c 226 s 5, 1993 c 316 s 10, 1992 c 47 s 28 2, & 1991 c 315 s 4;
- 29 (4) RCW 43.160.212 and 1996 c 168 s 4, 1995 c 226 s 6, & 1993 c 316 30 s 5;
- 31 (5) ((RCW 43.31.651 and 1995 c 226 s 10, 1993 c 280 s 51, & 1991 c 32 314 s 9;
- (6)) RCW 43.63A.021 and 1995 c 226 s 11;
- 34 $((\frac{7}{}))$ <u>(6)</u> RCW 43.63A.600 and 1995 c 226 s 12, 1994 c 114 s 1,
- 35 1993 c 280 s 77, & 1991 c 315 s 23;
- 36 $((\frac{8}{1}))$ (7) RCW 43.63A.440 and 1995 c 226 s 13, 1993 c 280 s 74, &
- 37 1989 c 424 s 7;

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((\frac{9}{}))) (8) RCW 43.160.200 and 1995 c 226 s 16, 1993 c 320 s 7,
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    1993 c 316 s 4, & 1991 c 314 s 23;
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         ((\frac{10}{10})) (9) RCW 28B.50.258 and 1995 c 226 s 18 & 1991 c 315 s 16;
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         ((<del>(11)</del>)) <u>(10)</u> RCW 28B.50.262 and 1995 c 226 s 19 & 1994 c 282 s 3;
         ((\frac{12}{12})) (11) RCW 28B.80.570 and 1995 c 226 s 20, 1992 c 21 s 6, &
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    1991 c 315 s 18;
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         (((14+))) (13) RCW 28B.80.580 and 1995 c 226 s 22, 1993 sp.s. c 18
    s 34, 1992 c 231 s 31, & 1991 c 315 s 20;
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         ((\frac{15}{15})) (14) RCW 28B.80.585 and 1995 c 226 s 23 & 1991 c 315 s 21;
         ((\frac{16}{16})) (15) RCW 43.17.065 and 1995 c 226 s 24, 1993 c 280 s 37,
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    1991 c 314 s 28, & 1990 1st ex.s. c 17 s 77;
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         ((\frac{17}{17})) (16) RCW 43.20A.750 and 1995 c 226 s 25, 1993 c 280 s 38,
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    1992 c 21 s 4, & 1991 c 153 s 28;
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         (((18))) (17) RCW 43.168.140 and 1995 c 226 s 28 & 1991 c 314 s 20;
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         ((\frac{19}{19})) (18) RCW 50.12.270 and 1995 c 226 s 30 & 1991 c 315 s 3;
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         ((\frac{20}{10})) (19) RCW 50.70.010 and 1995 c 226 s 31, 1992 c 21 s 1, &
    1991 c 315 s 5; and
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         ((\frac{(21)}{21})) (20) RCW 50.70.020 and 1995 c 226 s 32 & 1991 c 315 s 6.
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- 20 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 20.** RCW 43.31.651 and 1995 c 226 s 10, 1993 c 21 280 s 51, & 1991 c 314 s 9 are each repealed.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 21. If any provision of this act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.
- 26 NEW SECTION. Sec. 22. If any part of this act is found to be in 27 conflict with federal requirements that are a prescribed condition to 28 the allocation of federal funds to the state, the conflicting part of this act is inoperative solely to the extent of the conflict and with 29 respect to the agencies directly affected, and this finding does not 30 31 affect the operation of the remainder of this act in its application to the agencies concerned. The rules under this act shall meet federal 32 33 requirements that are a necessary condition to the receipt of federal 34 funds by the state.

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- 1 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 23.** This act is necessary for the immediate
- 2 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
- 3 state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect
- 4 July 1, 1997.

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