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1            AN ACT Relating to work force training and education; adding a new  
2 section to chapter 50.63 RCW; creating new sections; and making  
3 appropriations.

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

5            NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 1.**            The legislature finds that the economy  
6 of Washington state can be enhanced by improving the employability of  
7 disadvantaged residents and providing relevant job training for  
8 occupations in demand by employers. Many of the more than six hundred  
9 thousand economically disadvantaged Washington residents age sixteen  
10 and older can find productive employment in the estimated seven hundred  
11 fifty thousand new jobs created in Washington state between 1990 and  
12 2010 if their employment skills match job qualifications.

13            The legislature further finds that job training leading to  
14 unsubsidized employment is a positive investment for the state's  
15 general fund. Local job training partnership act programs have

1 successfully placed nearly seventy percent of their public assistance  
2 clients into employment. The job training partnership act programs  
3 also benefit individuals who are unemployed, disabled, single heads of  
4 households, limited in the English language and without a high school  
5 diploma.

6 The legislature further finds that alternatives to traditional  
7 college and university enrollment is necessary to improve the workplace  
8 skills for the state's disadvantaged and unemployed population, eighty  
9 percent of whom have not obtained any postsecondary degree or  
10 certificate and forty percent of whom have not received a high school  
11 diploma.

12 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 50.63 RCW  
13 to read as follows:

14 (1) The job training partnership account is created in the state  
15 treasury. All receipts from legislative appropriations for programs  
16 eligible under the job training partnership act shall be deposited into  
17 the account. Moneys in the account may be spent only after  
18 appropriation. Expenditures from the account may be used only for  
19 programs eligible under the job training partnership act.

20 (2) The employment security department shall allocate state general  
21 funds appropriated to this account among the service delivery areas on  
22 the basis of the number of economically disadvantaged population  
23 eligible under Title II-A of the job training partnership act residing  
24 within each service delivery area.

25 (3) Allocations from this account shall be used by the service  
26 delivery areas for programs and services eligible under Title II-A of  
27 the job training partnership act and approved by the local private  
28 industry council.

1 (4) No more than one percent of any state general fund  
2 appropriation to this account may be used by the employment security  
3 department for the administration of these funds.

4 (5) No more than fifteen percent of any state general fund  
5 appropriation to this account may be used by the service delivery areas  
6 for the administration of programs and services eligible under Title  
7 II-A of the job training partnership act.

8 (6) For the purposes of this section:

9 (a) "Job training partnership act" means the federal job training  
10 partnership act, P.L. 97-300, as amended.

11 (b) "Service delivery areas" means the substate geographic areas,  
12 designated by the governor, in which job training partnership act  
13 programs are planned and delivered.

14 (c) "Private industry council" means the planning and policy  
15 council with a majority of private sector business executives that  
16 provide direction for job training partnership act programs in each of  
17 the service delivery areas.

18 (d) "Economically disadvantaged individual" has the same definition  
19 as provided in the job training partnership act.

20 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** (1) The sum of twelve million dollars,  
21 or as much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated for the  
22 biennium ending June 30, 1993, from the general fund to the employment  
23 security department for deposit in the job training partnership account  
24 solely for grants to service delivery areas for programs and services  
25 eligible under Title II-A of the job training partnership act, P.L. 97-  
26 300, as amended.

27 Of this amount, six million dollars is appropriated for the fiscal  
28 year ending June 30, 1992, and six million dollars is appropriated for  
29 the fiscal year ending June 30, 1993.

1           (2) The sum of one hundred twenty thousand dollars, or as much  
2 thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated for the biennium ending  
3 June 30, 1993, from the general fund to the employment security  
4 department for the purposes of administration of the funds appropriated  
5 under subsection (1) of this section.

6           NEW SECTION.   **Sec. 4.**           If any part of this act is found to be  
7 in conflict with federal requirements that are a prescribed condition  
8 to the allocation of federal funds to the state, the conflicting part  
9 of this act is inoperative solely to the extent of the conflict and  
10 with respect to the agencies directly affected, and this finding does  
11 not affect the operation of the remainder of this act in its  
12 application to the agencies concerned. The rules under this act shall  
13 meet federal requirements that are a necessary condition to the receipt  
14 of federal funds by the state.