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Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

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4 **"Sec. 1.** RCW 50.16.010 and 2009 c 4 s 906 are each amended to 5 read as follows:

6 (1) There shall be maintained as special funds, separate and apart 7 from all public moneys or funds of this state an unemployment 8 compensation fund, an administrative contingency fund, and a federal 9 interest payment fund, which shall be administered by the commissioner 10 exclusively for the purposes of this title, and to which RCW 43.01.050 11 shall not be applicable.

12 (2)(a) The unemployment compensation fund shall consist of:

(i) All contributions collected under RCW 50.24.010 and payments
14 in lieu of contributions collected pursuant to the provisions of this
15 title;

16 (ii) Any property or securities acquired through the use of moneys 17 belonging to the fund;

18 (iii) All earnings of such property or securities;

19 (iv) Any moneys received from the federal unemployment account in 20 the unemployment trust fund in accordance with Title XII of the social 21 security act, as amended;

(v) All money recovered on official bonds for losses sustained bythe fund;

(vi) All money credited to this state's account in the unemployment trust fund pursuant to section 903 of the social security act, as amended;

1 (vii) All money received from the federal government as 2 reimbursement pursuant to section 204 of the federal-state extended 3 compensation act of 1970 (84 Stat. 708-712; 26 U.S.C. Sec. 3304); and 4 (viii) All moneys received for the fund from any other source.

5 (b) All moneys in the unemployment compensation fund shall be 6 commingled and undivided.

7 (3)(a) Except as provided in (b) of this subsection, the 8 administrative contingency fund shall consist of:

9 (i) All interest on delinquent contributions collected pursuant to 10 this title;

11 (ii) All fines and penalties collected pursuant to the provisions 12 of this title;

13 (iii) All sums recovered on official bonds for losses sustained by 14 the fund; and

15 (iv) Revenue received under RCW 50.24.014.

16 (b) All fees, fines, forfeitures, and penalties collected or 17 assessed by a district court because of the violation of this title or 18 rules adopted under this title shall be remitted as provided in 19 chapter 3.62 RCW.

20 (c) During the 2007-2009 biennium, moneys available in the 21 administrative contingency fund, other than money in the special 22 account created under RCW 50.24.014(1)(a), shall be expended as 23 appropriated by the legislature for the (i) cost of the job skills or 24 worker retraining programs at the community and technical colleges and 25 administrative costs at the state board for community and technical 26 colleges, and (ii) reemployment services such as business and project 27 development assistance, local economic development capacity building, 28 and local economic development financial assistance at the department 29 of community, trade, and economic development, and the remaining 30 appropriation upon the direction of the commissioner, with the 31 approval of the governor, whenever it appears to him or her that such 32 expenditure is necessary solely for:

(i) The proper administration of this title and that insufficient
 34 federal funds are available for the specific purpose to which such

1 expenditure is to be made, provided, the moneys are not substituted 2 for appropriations from federal funds which, in the absence of such 3 moneys, would be made available.

4 (ii) The proper administration of this title for which purpose 5 appropriations from federal funds have been requested but not yet 6 received, provided, the administrative contingency fund will be 7 reimbursed upon receipt of the requested federal appropriation.

8 (iii) The proper administration of this title for which compliance 9 and audit issues have been identified that establish federal claims 10 requiring the expenditure of state resources in resolution. Claims 11 must be resolved in the following priority: First priority is to 12 provide services to eligible participants within the state; second 13 priority is to provide substitute services or program support; and 14 last priority is the direct payment of funds to the federal 15 government.

16 (d) For fiscal year 2010, moneys available in the administrative 17 contingency fund, other than money in the special account created 18 under RCW 50.24.014(1)(a), shall be expended as appropriated by the 19 legislature to serve individuals who are eligible for or have 20 exhausted entitlement to unemployment compensation benefits and are 21 enrolled in a high employer demand program of study or a forest 22 product industry training program pursuant to section 2 of this act, 23 and the remaining appropriation upon the direction of the 24 commissioner, with the approval of the governor, whenever it appears 25 to the commissioner that such expenditure is necessary solely for:

(i) The proper administration of this title and that insufficient federal funds are available for the specific purpose to which such expenditure is to be made, if the moneys are not substituted for appropriations from federal funds which, in the absence of such moneys, would be made available;

31 (ii) The proper administration of this title for which purpose 32 appropriations from federal funds have been requested but not yet 33 received, if the administrative contingency fund will be reimbursed 34 upon receipt of the requested federal appropriation; and

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1 (iii) The proper administration of this title for which compliance 2 and audit issues have been identified that establish federal claims 3 requiring the expenditure of state resources in resolution. Claims 4 must be resolved in the following priority: First priority is to 5 provide services to eligible participants within the state; second 6 priority is to provide substitute services or program support; and 7 last priority is the direct payment of funds to the federal 8 government.

9 Money in the special account created under RCW 50.24.014(1)(a) may 10 only be expended, after appropriation, for the purposes specified in 11 this section and RCW 50.62.010, 50.62.020, 50.62.030, 50.24.014, 12 50.44.053, and 50.22.010.

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14 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 28B.50 15 RCW to read as follows:

16 (1) Subject to availability of funds, high employer demand 17 training funds are available for use by the state board for community 18 and technical colleges to serve individuals who are eligible for or 19 have exhausted entitlement to unemployment compensation benefits and 20 are enrolled in a high employer demand program of study or a forest 21 product industry training program. Preference must be given to 22 individuals enrolled in the forest product industry, health care, 23 energy efficiency, and aerospace worker training programs.

(2) Funds may be used for the following purposes for individuals eligible under subsection (1) of this section: Expenses related to educational and career counseling services, training plan development, and referral to appropriate training programs in high-demand occupations; increased capacity at community and technical colleges to make training programs in high-demand occupations available; financial and for eligible students enrolled at an institution of higher education as defined in RCW 28B.10.016 or an educational institution as defined in RCW 28C.04.410; and job development and referral services.

1 (3) After the first year of the program, if funds are not fully 2 expended, the state board for community and technical colleges may 3 broaden individual eligibility criteria.

4 (4) Funds available under this section cannot be used to replace
5 or supplant any existing enrollments, programs, support services, or
6 funding sources.

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8 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 3. A new section is added to chapter 50.22 RCW 9 to read as follows:

10 Consistent with the intent of the workforce investment act of 11 1998, P.L. 105-220, administrative funds made available under the act 12 shall be used to serve individuals who are eligible for or have 13 exhausted entitlement to unemployment compensation benefits and are 14 enrolled in a high employer demand program of study or a forest 15 product industry training program pursuant to section 2 of this act. 16

17 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 4. A new section is added to chapter 50.22 RCW 18 to read as follows:

19 The employment security department shall encourage an increase in 20 education and training through grants and local plan modifications 21 with workforce development councils. Consistent with the intent of 22 the workforce investment act, adult and dislocated worker program 23 provisions in the American recovery and reinvestment act of 2009, the 24 employment security department shall require workforce development 25 councils to determine the number of participants who will receive 26 education and training. The employment security department shall 27 encourage workforce development councils to:

(1) Increase the number of workforce investment act adult and dislocated worker participants receiving education and training to obtain employment in high-demand occupations as defined in RCW 50.22.-1 -- (section 4, chapter 3, Laws of 2009), through institutions of higher education as defined in RCW 28B.10.016, or educational institutions as defined in RCW 28C.04.410; and

1 (2) Use workforce investment act resources for the following 2 education and training purposes: The provision of individual training 3 accounts that provide student financial aid; to increase the number of 4 individuals receiving training benefits; and to enter into contracts 5 with institutions of higher education to increase capacity for 6 training low-income individuals for high-demand occupations and 7 dislocated workers for high-demand occupations.

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9 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 5. The employment security department, in 10 collaboration with the workforce training and education coordinating 11 board, workforce development councils, and state board for community 12 and technical colleges, shall submit reports as follows to the 13 appropriate committees of the legislature related to the American 14 recovery and reinvestment act of 2009 workforce investment act adult 15 and dislocated worker programs:

16 (1) A preliminary report by December 1, 2009, that includes 17 expenditures on education and training, the number of students 18 receiving training, the types of training received by the students, 19 student demographics, and institution/program demographics;

20 (2) A preliminary report by December 1, 2010, that includes the 21 innovations in training including new training capacity, new classes, 22 and alternative training times and locations; and

(3) A final report by December 1, 2011, that includes expenditures equivalent and training, the number of certified full-time equivalent students receiving training, the types of training received by the students, student demographics, training completion rates, employment rates, and comparisons of preprogram and postprogram wage levels.

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30 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 6. This act is necessary for the immediate 31 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the 32 state government and its existing public institutions, and takes 33 effect immediately."

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By Senators Hargrove, Holmquist, and Kohl-Welles ADOPTED 3/11/2009 On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "training;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 50.16.010; adding a new section to chapter 28B.50 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 50.22 RCW; creating a new section; and declaring an emergency."

<u>EFFECT</u>: For fiscal year 2010, uses the Employment Security Department Administrative Contingency Account to fund high employer demand training for use by the state board for community and technical colleges to serve individuals who are eligible for or have exhausted unemployment compensation benefits, and are enrolled in a high employer demand program of study or a forest product industry training program.

Preference is given to individuals enrolled in forest product industry, health care, energy efficiency and aerospace worker training programs.

Administrative funds made available under the federal Workforce Investment Act are also used for high employer demand training.

The Employment Security Department will require workforce development councils to determine the number of participants who will receive education and training consistent with the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

ESD will encourage workforce development councils to increase the number of participants receiving education and training and to use Workforce Investment Act resources for education and training purposes.

ESD must submit three reports to the legislature related to the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 that includes expenditures on education and training, the number of students, the type of training, innovations in training, and pre-program and post-program wage levels.

Adds an emergency clause.

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