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3 By Committee on Trade, Technology & Economic Development

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5 On page 1, after line 7, strike the remainder of the joint memorial
6 and insert the following:

7 "WHEREAS, The Washington State House of Representatives and Senate
8 recognize that the permanent loss of jobs in natural resource-based
9 industries has gravely and irreversibly impacted the coastal economies
10 of Pacific and Grays Harbor counties and parts of Jefferson and Clallam
11 counties; and

12 WHEREAS, The loss of timber-related jobs has created a further
13 erosion of jobs in coastal communities which presently do not have
14 alternative employment opportunities; and

15 WHEREAS, Hard-working families are losing their homes, automobiles,
16 and other possessions and are going without adequate food, critically
17 needed medical care, educational, and social services previously earned
18 with wages from their jobs; and

19 WHEREAS, The loss of sales tax, property tax, and other local
20 revenues by local coastal communities resulting from the devastating
21 economic dislocation is accompanied by a heavy additional burden placed
22 on public services provided by local police, prosecutors, public
23 health, and social service providers that manifestly precludes local
24 government from financing an economic recovery program; and

25 WHEREAS, In 1991 the federal government received an estimated one
26 hundred forty-three million dollars in general tax revenue, exclusive
27 of social security and unemployment insurance taxes, from Pacific and
28 Grays Harbor counties; and

29 WHEREAS, In 1991 the State of Washington received an estimated
30 seventy-seven million dollars in general fund taxes from the two-county
31 area; and

32 WHEREAS, Implementation of the Coastal Economic Recovery Plan will
33 provide jobs and improve the coastal economy so that at the end of ten
34 years the federal government tax revenues will increase from one
35 hundred forty-three million dollars a year to two hundred five million
36 dollars and the Washington State general fund revenues will increase

1 from seventy-seven million dollars a year to one hundred thirteen
2 million dollars over the ten-year period; and

3 WHEREAS, The millions of dollars monthly spent by the federal and
4 state government for public assistance, unemployment compensation,
5 medical assistance, food, retraining, and other social service programs
6 can be sharply reduced through implementation of the coastal economy
7 which emphasizes tourism, outdoor recreation, and commercial and sports
8 fishing;

9 NOW, THEREFORE, Your Memorialists respectfully pray that the
10 federal government invest, along with the State of Washington, in a
11 Coastal Economic Recovery Plan by funding the following elements of the
12 plan:

13 (1) Habitat restoration jobs, including Olympic peninsula, Grays
14 Harbor and Willapa Bay drainages. The primary beneficiaries of the
15 work will be wild stocks of salmon: Fifty million dollars;

16 (2) Federal share of new coastal hatcheries including wild stock
17 supplementation facilities: Seventeen million five hundred thousand
18 dollars;

19 (3) Federal share of coastal tourism infrastructure facilities:
20 Twelve million dollars;

21 (4) Federal funding of educational facilities at Grays Harbor
22 College for Dislocated Timber Workers: Five million dollars; and

23 (5) Federal share of coastal transportation facilities for tourism
24 and outdoor recreation: Ten million dollars.

25 BE IT RESOLVED, That copies of this Memorial be immediately
26 transmitted to the Honorable Bill Clinton, President of the United
27 States, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of
28 Representatives, and each member of Congress from the State of
29 Washington."

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