

2 **SHB 1314** - H COMM AMD **3-14-91 ADOPTED**

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5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
6 following:

7 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that an increase
8 in unemployment due to the declining timber economy in the state is
9 imminent. The legislature further recognizes that employment
10 opportunities in state and local government in other natural resource
11 management professions exist and that dislocated workers in the timber-
12 related professions represent a potential work force in the areas of
13 fisheries, wildlife, and recreation."

14 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** Unless the context clearly requires
15 otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout this
16 chapter.

17 (1) "Dislocated timber worker" means any individual who:

18 (a) Has been terminated or received a notice of termination from
19 employment in a timber-related occupation within standard industrial
20 code 024; and

21 (b) At the time of last separation from employment, resided in or
22 was employed in a timber-dependent community.

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

24 (3) "Project" means the natural resource worker project."

25 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** The department, subject to the
26 availability of funding under section 4 of this act or an appropriation

1 from the general fund, shall establish the natural resource worker
2 project. The project shall terminate on July 1, 1996, and shall
3 provide employment and training opportunities for dislocated timber
4 workers in the areas of fisheries, wildlife, recreation, and other
5 natural resource professions. The department of personnel shall
6 approve the project. The goal of the project is to allow project
7 employees to be, upon termination of their participation in the
8 project, eligible for permanent employment with the departments of
9 wildlife, fisheries, ecology, and natural resources, and the parks and
10 recreation commission."

11 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. The department shall use federal funds
12 that it receives for dislocated timber workers to contract with the
13 departments of wildlife, fisheries, ecology, and natural resources, and
14 the parks and recreation commission to hire project participants to
15 conduct tasks in the areas of fisheries, wildlife, forestry, ecology,
16 and recreation."

17 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. The project shall include the following
18 elements:

19 (1) Recruitment of dislocated timber workers;

20 (2) Placement in the departments of wildlife, fisheries, ecology,
21 and natural resources, and the parks and recreation commission;

22 (3) On-the-job training in entry-level natural resource management
23 skills;

24 (4) Comparable salaries and benefits to entry-level positions
25 already existing in the departments of wildlife, fisheries, ecology,
26 and natural resources, and the parks and recreation commission."

1 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 6.** The department, along with the
2 departments of personnel, wildlife, fisheries, ecology, and natural
3 resources, and the parks and recreation commission shall report
4 annually to the legislature on November 1 of each year beginning
5 November 1, 1992, and until November 1, 1995.

6 The report shall include, at a minimum, the following elements:

- 7 (1) The number of project employees;
8 (2) The number and description of positions filled, by agency;
9 (3) Training received;
10 (4) Duration of employment; and
11 (5) Placement in permanent positions."

12 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 7.** Sections 1 through 6 of this act shall
13 constitute a new chapter in Title 50 RCW."

14 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 8.** This act is necessary for the immediate
15 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
16 state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take
17 effect July 15, 1991."

18 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 9.** This act shall expire August 1, 1996."

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22 On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "force;" strike the remainder
23 of the title and insert "adding a new chapter to Title 50 RCW;
24 providing an effective date; providing an expiration date; and
25 declaring an emergency."