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- 2 By Representatives Wang, Heavey and Silver
- 3 On page 1, beginning on line 5, strike all of section 1 and
- 4 insert the following:
- 5 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter
- 6 50.22 RCW to read as follows:
- 7 (1) An additional benefit period is established for counties
- 8 identified under subsection (2) of this section beginning on the
- 9 first Sunday after the effective date of this act. Benefits shall
- 10 be paid as provided in section 3 of this act.
- 11 (2) For the purposes of this section:
- 12 (a) "Additional benefit period" means a period applicable to
- 13 a county that:
- 14 (i) Begins with the third week after a week in which the
- 15 commissioner determines that the county has:
- 16 (A) A county annual insured unemployment rate that is twenty
- 17 percent or more above the state annual insured unemployment rate
- 18 for the prior calendar year; and
- 19 (B) A lumber and wood products employment location quotient
- that is at least twice the state average during the prior twelve-
- 21 month period; and
- (ii) Ends no sooner than fifty-two weeks after the additional
- 23 benefit period begins.
- (b) "Annual insured unemployment rate" means the percentage

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- derived by dividing the average weekly number of individuals filing 1 2 claims for weeks of unemployment with respect to the most recent 3 consecutive determined fifty-two week period, as by commissioner on the basis of the department's reports to the United 4 States secretary of labor, by the average monthly employment 5 6 covered under this title for the first four of the most recent six 7 completed calendar quarters ending before the end of such fifty-two week period. The division shall be carried to the fourth decimal 8 9 place with any remaining fraction disregarded.
- 10 NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 50.22 RCW to read as follows: 11
- 12 An additional benefit period is established for the lumber and wood products industry beginning with the third week after the 13 14 first Sunday after the effective date of this act. Benefits shall be paid as provided in section 3 of this act. 15
- 16 NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. A new section is added to chapter 50.22 RCW to read as follows: 17
- 18 Benefits shall be paid under the additional benefit periods 19 established under sections 1 and 2 of this act as follows:
  - No new claims for additional benefits will be accepted for weeks beginning after July 3, 1993, but for claims established on or before July 3, 1993, weeks of unemployment occurring after July 3, 1993, shall be compensated as provided in this section. This additional benefit period shall be suspended with the start of

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- an extended benefit period, or any totally federally funded benefit
- 2 program, with eligibility criteria and benefits comparable to the
- 3 program established by this section and sections 1, 2, and 4 of
- 4 this act, and shall resume the first week following the end of the
- 5 federal program.
- 6 (2) The weekly benefit amount shall be calculated as specified
- 7 in RCW 50.22.040.
- 8 (3) The total additional benefit amount shall be the least of:
- 9 (a) One hundred percent of regular benefits payable under this title;
- 11 (b) Twenty-six times the individual's weekly benefit amount;
- 12 or
- 13 (c) Fifty-two times the individual's weekly benefit amount,
- 14 reduced by the total amount of regular benefits and extended
- 15 benefits paid, or deemed paid, with respect to the benefit year.
- 16 (4) Additional benefits shall not be payable for weeks more
- 17 than one year beyond the end of the benefit year of the regular
- 18 claim.
- 19 (5) Additional benefits shall be payable for up to five weeks
- 20 following the completion of the training required by section 4 of
- 21 this act.
- 22 (6) Benefits paid under this section shall be paid under the
- 23 same terms and conditions as regular benefits, shall be paid
- 24 subject to rules adopted by the commissioner to implement this
- 25 section and section 1, 2, and 4 of this act, and shall not be

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- charged to the experience rating account of individual employers."
- 2 Renumber the remaining sections consecutively and correct any
- 3 internal references accordingly.

<u>EFFECT:</u> Technical amendment to implement Appropriations Committee amendment.

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