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- 3 By Commitee on Appropriations

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- 5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
- 6 following:
- 7 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. It is the intent of the legislature to
- 8 provide:
- 9 (1) Training and retraining opportunities for timber workers;
- 10 (2) Additional opportunities for dislocated timber workers and
- 11 residents of timber-distressed counties to attend local community
- 12 colleges;
- 13 (3) Educational opportunities to displaced timber workers who
- 14 reside in areas where access to a four-year institution of higher
- 15 education is not available;
- 16 (4) Educational opportunities in those communities that are most
- 17 severely impacted by job losses in the timber industry; and
- 18 (5) A means for dislocated timber workers to remain gainfully
- 19 employed within their communities."
- 20 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 28B.50
- 21 RCW to read as follows:
- 22 Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in
- 23 this section apply throughout sections 3 through 7 of this act.
- 24 (1) "Board" means the state board for community college education.
- 25 (2) "Dislocated timber worker" means any individual who: (a) Has
- 26 been terminated or received a notice of termination from employment in
- 27 a timber-related occupation within standard industrial code 024; and

- 1 (b) at the time of last separation from employment, resided in or was
- 2 employed in a timber-distressed county.
- 3 (3) "Timber-dependent community" means a county, city, or town
- 4 located in a county meeting two of the following three criteria for the
- 5 most recent year such data is available: (a) A lumber and wood
- 6 products employment location quotient at or above the state average,
- 7 (b) a direct lumber and wood products job loss of one hundred or more,
- 8 or (c) an annual unemployment rate twenty percent above the state
- 9 average."
- 10 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. A new section is added to chapter 28B.50
- 11 RCW to read as follows:
- 12 The state board for community college education shall administer a
- 13 program designed to provide higher education opportunities to
- 14 dislocated timber workers or their spouses. In administering the
- 15 program, the board shall have the following powers and duties:
- 16 (1) Appoint an advisory committee to assist the board in program
- 17 design and funding distribution;
- 18 (2) Allocate funding to community colleges attended by eligible
- 19 dislocated timber workers;
- 20 (3) Monitor the program and report on students' progress and
- 21 outcome; and
- 22 (4) Report to the legislature by December 1, 1993, on the status of
- 23 the program."
- 24 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. A new section is added to chapter 28B.50
- 25 RCW to read as follows:
- In addition to the community college enrollment level funded by the
- 27 omnibus appropriations act for the biennium ending June 30, 1993, the
- 28 community college system is authorized to serve two hundred fifty full-

- 1 time equivalent students in fiscal year 1992 and five hundred full-time
- 2 equivalent students in fiscal year 1993. Under this program, the
- 3 community colleges shall waive the tuition, services, and activities
- 4 fees for dislocated timber workers or their spouses, enrolled as one of
- 5 the full-time equivalent students allocated under this section, who do
- 6 not receive federal tuition assistance for retraining, provided the
- 7 dislocated timber worker provides verification of the following
- 8 conditions:
- 9 (1) The dislocated timber worker, within the five years before
- 10 enrolling as a student, was employed in the timber industry on a full-
- 11 time basis for at least six months each year; and
- 12 (2) The unemployment of the dislocated timber worker is due to
- 13 reduction in work force and not misconduct of the timber worker;
- 14 The dislocated timber workers or their spouses are eligible to receive
- 15 waivers for a total of six quarters within a two-year time period and
- 16 must be enrolled for a minimum of ten credits per quarter.
- 17 Dislocated timber workers or their spouses shall receive priority
- 18 for the full-time equivalent student allocations authorized under this
- 19 section. Funding for any full-time equivalent student enrollment
- 20 allocations that are unused by June 30, 1993, shall lapse."
- 21 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. A new section is added to chapter 28B.80
- 22 RCW to read as follows:
- The higher education coordinating board shall administer a program
- 24 designed to provide upper division higher education opportunities to
- 25 dislocated timber workers, their spouses, and others in
- 26 timber-distressed counties. In administering the program, the board
- 27 shall have the following powers and duties:
- 28 (1) Distribute funding for an institution of higher education to
- 29 service Clallam county;

- 1 (2) Appoint an advisory committee to assist the board in program
- 2 design and future project selection;
- 3 (3) Monitor the program and report on student progress and outcome;
- 4 and
- 5 (4) Report to the legislature by December 1, 1993, on the status of
- 6 the program."
- 7 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. A new section is added to chapter 28B.80
- 8 RCW to read as follows:
- 9 In consultation with Peninsula College, the higher education
- 10 coordinating board shall contract with an institution of higher
- 11 education to provide upper division classes to serve fifty full-time
- 12 equivalent students per year in Clallam county. The institution shall
- 13 utilize telecommunication technology, if available, to carry out the
- 14 purposes of this section. The institution providing the service shall
- 15 waive the tuition, service, and activities fees for dislocated timber
- 16 workers or their spouses enrolled as one of the full-time equivalent
- 17 students allocated to the college under this section, provided the
- 18 dislocated timber worker provides verification of the following
- 19 conditions:
- 20 (1) The dislocated timber worker, within the five years before
- 21 enrolling as a student, was employed in the timber industry on a full-
- 22 time basis for at least six months of each year; and
- 23 (2) The unemployment of the dislocated timber worker is due to
- 24 reduction in work force and not misconduct of the timber worker;
- 25 The dislocated timber worker or his or her spouse is eligible to
- 26 receive waivers for a total of four semesters or six quarters within a
- 27 two-year time period and must be enrolled for a minimum of ten credits
- 28 per semester or quarter."

- 1 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. A new section is added to chapter 28B.80
- 2 RCW to read as follows:
- 3 Dislocated timber workers and their spouses shall receive priority
- 4 for attendance in upper division courses allocated under section 6 of
- 5 this act, offered in Clallam county. Remaining allocations may be
- 6 distributed to others in the timber-dependent community."
- 7 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 8. This act shall expire July 1, 1995."
- 8 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 9. This act is necessary for the immediate
- 9 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
- 10 state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take
- 11 effect immediately."
- 12 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 10. If by June 30, 1991, the omnibus
- 13 operating budget appropriations act for the 1991-93 biennium does not
- 14 provide specific funding for this act, referencing this act by bill
- 15 number, this act is null and void."
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- 17 By Committee on Appropriations
- 19 On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "education;" strike the
- 20 remainder of the title and insert "adding new sections to chapter
- 21 28B.50 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 28B.80 RCW; creating new
- 22 sections; providing an expiration date; and declaring an emergency."