HOUSE BILL 2821

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to designating certain communities as additional
- 2 timber impact areas; amending RCW 50.70.010, 43.31.601, 43.160.020,
- 3 43.20A.750, 28B.80.570, and 70.47.115; amending 1991 c 314 s 26
- 4 (uncodified); reenacting and amending RCW 28B.50.030; and declaring an
- 5 emergency.

State of Washington

- 6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 7 **Sec. 1.** RCW 50.70.010 and 1991 c 315 s 5 are each amended to read
- 8 as follows:
- 9 Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in
- 10 this section apply throughout this chapter.
- 11 (1) "Department" means the employment security department.
- 12 (2) "Dislocated forest products worker" means a forest products
- 13 worker who: (a)(i) Has been terminated or received notice of
- 14 termination from employment and is unlikely to return to employment in

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- 1 the individual's principal occupation or previous industry because of
- 2 a diminishing demand for his or her skills in that occupation or
- 3 industry; or (ii) is self-employed and has been displaced from his or
- 4 her business because of the diminishing demand for the business's
- 5 services or goods; and (b) at the time of last separation from
- 6 employment, resided in or was employed in a timber impact area.
- 7 (3) "Forest products worker" means a worker in the forest products
- 8 industries affected by the reduction of forest fiber enhancement,
- 9 transportation, or production. The workers included within this
- 10 definition shall be determined by the employment security department,
- 11 but shall include workers employed in the industries assigned the major
- 12 group standard industrial classification codes "24" and "26" and the
- 13 industries involved in the harvesting and management of logs,
- 14 transportation of logs and wood products, processing of wood products,
- 15 and the manufacturing and distribution of wood processing and logging
- 16 equipment. The commissioner may adopt rules further interpreting these
- 17 definitions. For the purposes of this subsection, "standard industrial
- 18 classification code means the code identified in RCW 50.29.025(6)(c).
- 19 (4) "Program" means the employment and career orientation program
- 20 for dislocated forest products workers administered by the employment
- 21 security department in conjunction with the department of natural
- 22 resources.
- 23 (5) "Enrollee" means any person enrolled in the program.
- 24 (6) "Project" means the natural resource worker project.
- 25 (7) "Timber impact area" means:
- 26 (a) A county having a population of less than five hundred
- 27 thousand, or a city or town located within a county having a population
- 28 of less than five hundred thousand, and meeting two of the following
- 29 three criteria, as determined by the employment security department,
- 30 for the most recent year such data is available: $((\frac{a}{a}))$ (i) A lumber

- 1 and wood products employment location quotient at or above the state
- 2 average; ((\frac{(b)}{D})) (ii) projected or actual direct lumber and wood
- 3 products job losses of one hundred positions or more, except counties
- 4 having a population greater than two hundred thousand but less than
- 5 five hundred thousand must have direct lumber and wood products job
- 6 losses of one thousand positions or more; or $((\frac{c}{c}))$ (iii) an annual
- 7 unemployment rate twenty percent or more above the state average; or
- 8 (b) Additional communities as the economic recovery coordinating
- 9 board, established in RCW 43.31.631, designates based on a finding by
- 10 the board that each designated community is socially and economically
- 11 <u>integrated with areas that meet the definition of a timber impact area</u>
- 12 under (a) of this subsection.
- 13 **Sec. 2.** RCW 43.31.601 and 1991 c 314 s 2 are each amended to read
- 14 as follows:
- 15 For the purposes of RCW 43.31.601 through 43.31.661:
- 16 (1) "Board" means the economic recovery coordination board;
- 17 (2) "Timber impact area" means:
- 18 (a) A county having a population of less than five hundred
- 19 thousand, or a city or town located within a county having a population
- 20 of less than five hundred thousand, and meeting two of the following
- 21 three criteria, as determined by the employment security department,
- 22 for the most recent year such data is available: $((\frac{1}{2}))$ (i) A lumber
- 23 and wood products employment location quotient at or above the state
- 24 average; $((\frac{b}{b}))$ <u>(ii)</u> projected or actual direct lumber and wood
- 25 products job losses of one hundred positions or more, except counties
- 26 having a population greater than two hundred thousand but less than
- 27 five hundred thousand must have direct lumber and wood products job
- 28 losses of one thousand positions or more; or $((\frac{c}{c}))$ (iii) an annual
- 29 unemployment rate twenty percent or more above the state average; or

- 1 (b) Additional communities as the economic recovery coordinating
- 2 board, established in RCW 43.31.631, designates based on a finding by
- 3 the board that each designated community is socially and economically
- 4 <u>integrated with areas that meet the definition of a timber impact area</u>
- 5 under (a) of this subsection.
- 6 **Sec. 3.** RCW 43.160.020 and 1991 c 314 s 22 are each amended to
- 7 read as follows:
- 8 Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in
- 9 this section apply throughout this chapter.
- 10 (1) "Board" means the community economic revitalization board.
- 11 (2) "Bond" means any bond, note, debenture, interim certificate, or
- 12 other evidence of financial indebtedness issued by the board pursuant
- 13 to this chapter.
- 14 (3) "Department" means the department of trade and economic
- 15 development or its successor with respect to the powers granted by this
- 16 chapter.
- 17 (4) "Financial institution" means any bank, savings and loan
- 18 association, credit union, development credit corporation, insurance
- 19 company, investment company, trust company, savings institution, or
- 20 other financial institution approved by the board and maintaining an
- 21 office in the state.
- 22 (5) "Industrial development facilities" means "industrial
- 23 development facilities" as defined in RCW 39.84.020.
- 24 (6) "Industrial development revenue bonds" means tax-exempt revenue
- 25 bonds used to fund industrial development facilities.
- 26 (7) "Local government" means any port district, county, city, or
- 27 town.
- 28 (8) "Sponsor" means any of the following entities which customarily
- 29 provide service or otherwise aid in industrial or other financing and

- 1 are approved as a sponsor by the board: A bank, trust company, savings
- 2 bank, investment bank, national banking association, savings and loan
- 3 association, building and loan association, credit union, insurance
- 4 company, or any other financial institution, governmental agency, or
- 5 holding company of any entity specified in this subsection.
- 6 (9) "Umbrella bonds" means industrial development revenue bonds
- 7 from which the proceeds are loaned, transferred, or otherwise made
- 8 available to two or more users under this chapter.
- 9 (10) "User" means one or more persons acting as lessee, purchaser,
- 10 mortgagor, or borrower under a financing document and receiving or
- 11 applying to receive revenues from bonds issued under this chapter.
- 12 (11) "Timber impact area" means:
- 13 (a) A county having a population of less than five hundred
- 14 thousand, or a city or town located within a county having a population
- 15 of less than five hundred thousand, and meeting two of the following
- 16 three criteria, as determined by the employment security department,
- 17 for the most recent year such data is available: $((\frac{a}{a}))$ (i) A lumber
- 18 and wood products employment location quotient at or above the state
- 19 average; (((b))) <u>(ii)</u> projected or actual direct lumber and wood
- 20 products job losses of one hundred positions or more, except counties
- 21 having a population greater than two hundred thousand but less than
- 22 five hundred thousand must have direct lumber and wood products job
- 23 losses of one thousand positions or more; or $((\frac{c}{c}))$ (iii) an annual
- 24 unemployment rate twenty percent or more above the state average; or
- 25 <u>(ii) Additional communities as the economic recovery coordinating</u>
- 26 board, established in RCW 43.31.631, designates based on a finding by
- 27 the board that each designated community is socially and economically
- 28 <u>integrated with areas that meet the definition of a timber impact area</u>
- 29 under (a) of this subsection.

- 1 Sec. 4. RCW 43.20A.750 and 1991 c 315 s 28 are each amended to 2 read as follows:
- 3 (1) The department of social and health services shall help
- 4 families and workers in timber impact areas make the transition through
- 5 economic difficulties and shall provide services to assist workers to
- 6 gain marketable skills. The department, as a member of the agency
- 7 timber task force and in consultation with the economic recovery
- 8 coordination board, and, where appropriate, under an interagency
- 9 agreement with the department of community development, shall provide
- 10 grants through the office of the secretary for services to the
- 11 unemployed in timber impact areas, including providing direct or
- 12 referral services, establishing and operating service delivery
- 13 programs, and coordinating delivery programs and delivery of services.
- 14 These grants may be awarded for family support centers, reemployment
- 15 centers, or other local service agencies.
- 16 (2) The services provided through the grants may include, but need
- 17 not be limited to: Credit counseling; social services including
- 18 marital counseling; psychotherapy or psychological counseling; mortgage
- 19 foreclosures and utilities problems counseling; drug and alcohol abuse
- 20 services; medical services; and residential heating and food
- 21 acquisition.
- 22 (3) Funding for these services shall be coordinated through the
- 23 economic recovery coordination board which will establish a fund to
- 24 provide child care assistance, mortgage assistance, and counseling
- 25 which cannot be met through current programs. No funds shall be used
- 26 for additional full-time equivalents for administering this section.
- 27 (4)(a) Grants for family support centers are intended to provide
- 28 support to families by responding to needs identified by the families
- 29 and communities served by the centers. Services provided by family
- 30 support centers may include parenting education, child development

- 1 assessments, health and nutrition education, counseling, and
- 2 information and referral services. Such services may be provided
- 3 directly by the center or through referral to other agencies
- 4 participating in the interagency team.
- 5 (b) The department shall consult with the council on child abuse or
- 6 neglect regarding grants for family support centers.
- 7 (5) "Timber impact area" means:
- 8 (a) A county having a population of less than five hundred
- 9 thousand, or a city or town located within a county having a population
- 10 of less than five hundred thousand, and meeting two of the following
- 11 three criteria, as determined by the employment security department,
- 12 for the most recent year such data is available: $((\frac{a}{a}))$ (i) A lumber
- 13 and wood products employment location quotient at or above the state
- 14 average; (((b))) <u>(ii)</u> projected or actual direct lumber and wood
- 15 products job losses of one hundred positions or more, except counties
- 16 having a population greater than two hundred thousand but less than
- 17 five hundred thousand must have direct lumber and wood products job
- 18 losses of one thousand positions or more; or $((\frac{c}{c}))$ (iii) an annual
- 19 unemployment rate twenty percent or more above the state average; or
- 20 (b) Additional communities as the economic recovery coordinating
- 21 board, established in RCW 43.31.631, designates based on a finding by
- 22 the board that each designated community is socially and economically
- 23 <u>integrated with areas that meet the definition of a timber impact area</u>
- 24 <u>under (a) of this subsection</u>.
- 25 **Sec. 5.** RCW 28B.50.030 and 1991 c 315 s 15 and 1991 c 238 s 22 are
- 26 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
- 27 As used in this chapter, unless the context requires otherwise, the
- 28 term:

- 1 (1) "System" shall mean the state system of community and technical
- 2 colleges, which shall be a system of higher education.
- 3 (2) "Board" shall mean the work force training and education
- 4 coordinating board.
- 5 (3) "College board" shall mean the state board for community and
- 6 technical colleges created by this chapter.
- 7 (4) "Director" shall mean the administrative director for the state
- 8 system of community and technical colleges.
- 9 (5) "District" shall mean any one of the community and technical
- 10 college districts created by this chapter.
- 11 (6) "Board of trustees" shall mean the local community and
- 12 technical college board of trustees established for each college
- 13 district within the state.
- 14 (7) "Occupational education" shall mean that education or training
- 15 that will prepare a student for employment that does not require a
- 16 baccalaureate degree.
- 17 (8) "K-12 system" shall mean the public school program including
- 18 kindergarten through the twelfth grade.
- 19 (9) "Common school board" shall mean a public school district board
- 20 of directors.
- 21 (10) "Community college" shall include those higher education
- 22 institutions that conduct education programs under RCW 28B.50.020.
- 23 (11) "Technical college" shall include those higher education
- 24 institutions with the sole mission of conducting occupational
- 25 education, basic skills, literacy programs, and offering on short
- 26 notice, when appropriate, programs that meet specific industry needs.
- 27 The programs of technical colleges shall include, but not be limited
- 28 to, continuous enrollment, competency-based instruction, industry-
- 29 experienced faculty, curriculum integrating vocational and basic skills
- 30 education, and curriculum approved by representatives of employers and

- 1 labor. For purposes of this chapter, technical colleges shall include
- 2 Lake Washington Vocational-Technical Institute, Renton Vocational-
- 3 Technical Institute, Bates Vocational-Technical Institute, Clover Park
- 4 Vocational Institute, and Bellingham Vocational-Technical Institute.
- 5 (12) "Adult education" shall mean all education or instruction,
- 6 including academic, vocational education or training, basic skills and
- 7 literacy training, and "occupational education" provided by public
- 8 educational institutions, including common school districts for persons
- 9 who are eighteen years of age and over or who hold a high school
- 10 diploma or certificate. However, "adult education" shall not include
- 11 academic education or instruction for persons under twenty-one years of
- 12 age who do not hold a high school degree or diploma and who are
- 13 attending a public high school for the sole purpose of obtaining a high
- 14 school diploma or certificate, nor shall "adult education" include
- 15 education or instruction provided by any four year public institution
- 16 of higher education.
- 17 (13) "Dislocated forest product worker" shall mean a forest
- 18 products worker who: (a)(i) Has been terminated or received notice of
- 19 termination from employment and is unlikely to return to employment in
- 20 the individual's principal occupation or previous industry because of
- 21 a diminishing demand for his or her skills in that occupation or
- 22 industry; or (ii) is self-employed and has been displaced from his or
- 23 her business because of the diminishing demand for the business's
- 24 services or goods; and (b) at the time of last separation from
- 25 employment, resided in or was employed in a timber impact area.
- 26 (14) "Forest products worker" shall mean a worker in the forest
- 27 products industries affected by the reduction of forest fiber
- 28 enhancement, transportation, or production. The workers included
- 29 within this definition shall be determined by the employment security
- 30 department, but shall include workers employed in the industries

- 1 assigned the major group standard industrial classification codes "24"
- 2 and "26" and the industries involved in the harvesting and management
- 3 of logs, transportation of logs and wood products, processing of wood
- 4 products, and the manufacturing and distribution of wood processing and
- 5 logging equipment. The commissioner may adopt rules further
- 6 interpreting these definitions. For the purposes of this subsection,
- 7 "standard industrial classification code" means the code identified in
- 8 RCW 50.29.025(6)(c).
- 9 (15) "Timber impact area" shall mean:
- 10 (a) A county having a population of less than five hundred
- 11 thousand, or a city or town located within a county having a population
- 12 of less than five hundred thousand, and meeting two of the following
- 13 three criteria, as determined by the employment security department,
- 14 for the most recent year such data is available: ((\(\frac{(a)}{a}\))) (i) A lumber
- 15 and wood products employment location quotient at or above the state
- 16 average; (((b))) <u>(ii)</u> projected or actual direct lumber and wood
- 17 products job losses of one hundred positions or more, except counties
- 18 having a population greater than two hundred thousand but less than
- 19 five hundred thousand must have direct lumber and wood products job
- 20 losses of one thousand positions or more; or $((\frac{c}{c}))$ (iii) an annual
- 21 unemployment rate twenty percent or more above the state average; or
- 22 (b) Additional communities as the economic recovery coordinating
- 23 board, established in RCW 43.31.631, designates based on a finding by
- 24 the board that each designated community is socially and economically
- 25 integrated with areas that meet the definition of a timber impact area
- 26 under (a) of this subsection.
- 27 **Sec. 6.** RCW 28B.80.570 and 1991 c 315 s 18 are each amended to
- 28 read as follows:

- 1 Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in
- 2 this section apply throughout RCW 28B.80.575 through 28B.80.585.
- 3 (1) "Board" means the higher education coordinating board.
- 4 (2) "Dislocated forest products worker" means a forest products
- 5 worker who: (a)(i) Has been terminated or received notice of
- 6 termination from employment and is unlikely to return to employment in
- 7 the individual's principal occupation or previous industry because of
- 8 a diminishing demand for his or her skills in that occupation or
- 9 industry; or (ii) is self-employed and has been displaced from his or
- 10 her business because of the diminishing demand for the business's
- 11 services or goods; and (b) at the time of last separation from
- 12 employment, resided in or was employed in a timber impact area.
- 13 (3) "Forest products worker" means a worker in the forest products
- 14 industries affected by the reduction of forest fiber enhancement,
- 15 transportation, or production. The workers included within this
- 16 definition shall be determined by the employment security department,
- 17 but shall include workers employed in the industries assigned the major
- 18 group standard industrial classification codes "24" and "26" and the
- 19 industries involved in the harvesting and management of logs,
- 20 transportation of logs and wood products, processing of wood products,
- 21 and the manufacturing and distribution of wood processing and logging
- 22 equipment. The commissioner may adopt rules further interpreting these
- 23 definitions. For the purposes of this subsection, "standard industrial
- 24 classification code" means the code identified in RCW 50.29.025(6)(c).
- 25 (4) "Timber impact area" means:
- 26 (a) A county having a population of less than five hundred
- 27 thousand, or a city or town located within a county having a population
- 28 of less than five hundred thousand, and meeting two of the following
- 29 three criteria, as determined by the employment security department,
- 30 for the most recent year such data is available: $((\frac{a}{a}))$ (i) A lumber

- 1 and wood products employment location quotient at or above the state
- 2 average; ((\frac{(b)}{D})) (ii) projected or actual direct lumber and wood
- 3 products job losses of one hundred positions or more, except counties
- 4 having a population greater than two hundred thousand but less than
- 5 five hundred thousand must have direct lumber and wood products job
- 6 losses of one thousand positions or more; or $((\frac{c}{c}))$ (iii) an annual
- 7 unemployment rate twenty percent or more above the state average; or
- 8 (b) Additional communities as the economic recovery coordinating
- 9 board, established in RCW 43.31.631, designates based on a finding by
- 10 the board that each designated community is socially and economically
- 11 <u>integrated with areas that meet the definition of a timber impact area</u>
- 12 under (a) of this subsection.
- 13 Sec. 7. RCW 70.47.115 and 1991 c 315 s 22 are each amended to read
- 14 as follows:
- 15 (1) The administrator, when specific funding is provided and where
- 16 feasible, shall make the basic health plan available to dislocated
- 17 forest products workers and their families in timber impact areas. The
- 18 administrator shall prioritize making the plan available under this
- 19 section to the timber impact areas meeting the following criteria, as
- 20 determined by the employment security department: (a) A lumber and
- 21 wood products employment location quotient at or above the state
- 22 average; (b) a direct lumber and wood products job loss of one hundred
- 23 positions or more; and (c) an annual unemployment rate twenty percent
- 24 above the state average.
- 25 (2) Dislocated forest products workers assisted under this section
- 26 shall meet the requirements of enrollee as defined in RCW 70.47.020(4).
- 27 (3) For purposes of this section, (a) "dislocated forest products
- 28 worker means a forest products worker who: (i)(A) Has been terminated
- 29 or received notice of termination from employment and is unlikely to

- 1 return to employment in the individual's principal occupation or
- 2 previous industry because of a diminishing demand for his or her skills
- 3 in that occupation or industry; or (B) is self-employed and has been
- 4 displaced from his or her business because of the diminishing demand
- 5 for the business's services or goods; and (ii) at the time of last
- 6 separation from employment, resided in or was employed in a timber
- 7 impact area; (b) "forest products worker" means a worker in the forest
- 8 products industries affected by the reduction of forest fiber
- 9 enhancement, transportation, or production. The workers included
- 10 within this definition shall be determined by the employment security
- 11 department, but shall include workers employed in the industries
- 12 assigned the major group standard industrial classification codes "24"
- 13 and "26" and the industries involved in the harvesting and management
- 14 of logs, transportation of logs and wood products, processing of wood
- 15 products, and the manufacturing and distribution of wood processing and
- 16 logging equipment.
- 17 The commissioner may adopt rules further interpreting these
- 18 definitions. For the purposes of this subsection, "standard industrial
- 19 classification code" means the code identified in RCW 50.29.025(6)(c);
- 20 and (c) "timber impact area" means:
- 21 (i) A county having a population of less than five hundred
- 22 thousand, or a city or town located within a county having a population
- 23 of less than five hundred thousand, and meeting two of the following
- 24 three criteria, as determined by the employment security department,
- 25 for the most recent year such data is available: $((\frac{1}{2}))$ (A) A lumber
- 26 and wood products employment location quotient at or above the state
- 27 average; (((ii))) <u>(B)</u> projected or actual direct lumber and wood
- 28 products job losses of one hundred positions or more, except counties
- 29 having a population greater than two hundred thousand but less than
- 30 five hundred thousand must have direct lumber and wood products job

- 1 losses of one thousand positions or more; or (((iii))) (C) an annual
- 2 unemployment rate twenty percent or more above the state average; or
- 3 (ii) Additional communities as the economic recovery coordinating
- 4 board, established in RCW 43.31.631, designates based on a finding by
- 5 the board that each designated community is socially and economically
- 6 integrated with areas that meet the definition of a timber impact area
- 7 under (c)(i) of this subsection.
- 8 Sec. 8. 1991 c 314 s 26 (uncodified) is amended to read as
- 9 follows:
- 10 (1) For the period beginning July 1, 1991, and ending June 30,
- 11 1993, in timber impact areas the public works board may award low-
- 12 interest or interest-free loans to local governments for construction
- 13 of new public works facilities that stimulate economic growth or
- 14 diversification.
- 15 (2) For the purposes of this section and section 27 ((of this
- 16 act)), chapter 314, Laws of 1991:
- 17 (a) "Public facilities" means bridge, road and street, domestic
- 18 water, sanitary sewer, and storm sewer systems.
- 19 (b) "Timber impact area" means:
- 20 <u>(i) A county having a population of less than five hundred</u>
- 21 thousand, or a city or town located within a county having a population
- 22 of less than five hundred thousand, and meeting two of the following
- 23 three criteria, as determined by the employment security department,
- 24 for the most recent year such data is available: (((i))) (A) A lumber
- 25 and wood products employment location quotient at or above the state
- 26 average; (((ii))) <u>(B)</u> projected or actual direct lumber and wood
- 27 products job losses of one hundred positions or more, except counties
- 28 having a population greater than two hundred thousand but less than
- 29 five hundred thousand must have direct lumber and wood products job

- 1 losses of one thousand positions or more; or $((\frac{(iii)}{)}))$ (C) an annual
- 2 unemployment rate twenty percent or more above the state average; or
- 3 (ii) Additional communities as the economic recovery coordinating
- 4 board, established in RCW 43.31.631, designates based on a finding by
- 5 the board that each designated community is socially and economically
- 6 integrated with areas that meet the definition of a timber impact area
- 7 under (b)(i) of this subsection.
- 8 (3) The loans may have a deferred payment of up to five years but
- 9 shall be repaid within twenty years. The public works board may
- 10 require other terms and conditions and may charge such rates of
- 11 interest on its loans as it deems appropriate to carry out the purposes
- 12 of this section. Repayments shall be made to the public works
- 13 assistance account.
- 14 (4) The board may make such loans irrespective of the annual loan
- 15 cycle and reporting required in RCW 43.155.070.
- 16 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 9.** This act is necessary for the immediate
- 17 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
- 18 state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take
- 19 effect immediately.