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1 AN ACT Relating to the center for international trade in forest
2 products; amending RCW 76.56.020, 76.56.050, 43.131.333, and
3 43.131.334; and adding a new section to chapter 28B.50 RCW.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 76.56.020 and 1992 c 121 s 1 are each amended to read
6 as follows:

7 The center shall:

8 (1) Coordinate the University of Washington's college of forest
9 resources' faculty and staff expertise to assist in:

10 (a) The development of research and analysis for developing
11 policies and strategies which will expand forest-based international
12 trade, including a major focus on secondary manufacturing;

13 (b) The development of technology or commercialization support for
14 manufactured products that will meet the evolving needs of
15 international customers; (~~and~~)

16 (c) The development of research and analysis on other factors
17 critical to forest-based trade, including the quality and availability
18 of raw wood resources; and

1 (d) The coordination, development, and dissemination of market and
2 technical information relevant to international trade in forest
3 products, ((especially)) including a major focus on secondary
4 manufacturing;

5 (2) Further develop and maintain computer data bases on world-wide
6 forest products production and trade in order to monitor and report on
7 trends significant to the Northwest forest products industry and
8 support the center's research functions; and coordinate this system
9 with state, federal, and private sector efforts to insure a cost-
10 effective information resource that will avoid unnecessary duplication;

11 (3) Monitor international forest products markets and assess the
12 status of the state's forest products industry, including the
13 competitiveness of small and medium-sized secondary manufacturing firms
14 in the forest products industry, which for the purposes of this chapter
15 shall be firms with annual revenues of twenty-five million or less, and
16 including the increased exports of Washington-produced products of
17 small and medium-sized secondary manufacturing firms;

18 (4) Provide high-quality research and graduate education and
19 professional nondegree training in international trade in forest
20 products in cooperation with the University of Washington's graduate
21 school of business administration, the school of law, the Jackson
22 school of international studies, the Northwest policy center of the
23 graduate school of public administration, and other supporting academic
24 units;

25 (5) Develop cooperative linkages with the international marketing
26 program for agricultural commodities and trade at Washington State
27 University, the international trade project of the United States forest
28 service, the department of natural resources, the department of
29 community, trade, and economic development, the small business export
30 finance assistance center, and other state and federal agencies to
31 avoid duplication of effort and programs;

32 (6) Cooperate with personnel from the state's community and
33 technical colleges in the development of wood products manufacturing
34 and wood technology curriculum and offer periodic workshops on wood
35 products manufacturing, wood technology, and trade opportunities to
36 community colleges and private educators and trainers;

37 (7) Provide for public dissemination of research, analysis, and
38 results of the center's programs to all groups, including direct
39 assistance groups, through technical workshops, short courses,

1 international and national symposia, cooperation with private sector
2 networks and marketing associations, or other means, including
3 appropriate publications;

4 ~~((+7))~~ (8) Establish an executive policy board, including
5 representatives of small and medium-sized businesses, larger integrated
6 companies, state and federal agencies and community and technical
7 colleges, to provide advice on: Overall policy direction and program
8 priorities, state and federal budget requests, securing additional
9 research funds, identifying priority areas of focus for research
10 efforts, selection of projects for research, and dissemination of
11 results of research efforts; and

12 ~~((+8))~~ (9) Establish advisory or technical committees for each
13 research program area, to advise on research program area priorities,
14 consistent with the international trade opportunities achievable by the
15 forest products sector of the state and region, to help ensure projects
16 are relevant to industry needs, and to advise on and support effective
17 dissemination of research results. Each advisory or technical
18 committee shall include representatives of forest products industries
19 that might benefit from this research.

20 Service on the committees and the executive policy board
21 established in subsections ~~((+7))~~ (8) and ~~((+8))~~ (9) of this section
22 shall be without compensation but actual travel expenses incurred in
23 connection with service to the center may be reimbursed from
24 appropriated funds in accordance with RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060.

25 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 28B.50 RCW
26 to read as follows:

27 The state board for community and technical colleges shall develop,
28 in conjunction with the center for international trade in forest
29 products, the Washington State University wood materials and
30 engineering laboratory, and the department of community, trade, and
31 economic development, a curriculum in wood product manufacturing and
32 wood technology and make it available in every college district that
33 serves a timber impact area.

34 **Sec. 3.** RCW 76.56.050 and 1987 c 505 s 74 are each amended to read
35 as follows:

36 The center shall aggressively solicit financial contributions and
37 support from the forest products industry, federal and state agencies,

1 and other granting sources or through other arrangements to assist in
2 conducting its activities. Subject to RCW 40.07.040, the center shall
3 report (~~((biennially through 1991))~~) annually to the governor and the
4 legislature on its success in obtaining funding from nonstate sources
5 and on its accomplishments in meeting the provisions of this chapter.
6 It may also use separately appropriated funds of the University of
7 Washington for the center's activities.

8 **Sec. 4.** RCW 43.131.333 and 1992 c 121 s 2 are each amended to read
9 as follows:

10 The center for international trade in forest products in the
11 college of forest resources at the University of Washington shall be
12 terminated on June 30, (~~((1994))~~) 2000, as provided in RCW 43.131.334.

13 **Sec. 5.** RCW 43.131.334 and 1992 c 121 s 3 are each amended to read
14 as follows:

15 (~~((Sections 1 through 5, chapter 122, Laws of 1985 and chapter 76.56~~
16 ~~RCW))~~) The following acts or parts of acts, as now existing or as
17 hereafter amended, are each repealed, effective June 30, (~~((1995))~~) 2001.

18 (1) RCW 76.56.010 and 1985 c 122 s 1;

19 (2) RCW 76.56.020 and 1994 c . . . s 1 (section 1 of this act),
20 1992 c 122 s 1, 1987 c 195 s 16, & 1985 c 122 s 2;

21 (3) RCW 76.56.030 and 1985 c 122 s 3;

22 (4) RCW 76.56.040 and 1985 c 122 s 4;

23 (5) RCW 76.56.050 and 1994 c . . . s 3 (section 3 of this act),
24 1987 c 505 s 74, & 1985 c 122 s 5; and

25 (6) RCW 76.56.900 and 1985 c 122 s 6.

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