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By Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Hargrove, Schow, Snyder, Morton, Hale, Prentice, Heavey, West, McDonald, Swanson, Spanel and Rasmussen)

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- AN ACT Relating to the rural area marketing plan; amending RCW 1 2 43.168.140, 43.163.210, 67.28.210, 43.160.080, 43.160.076, 19.85.011, 3 19.85.020, 19.85.025, 19.85.030, 19.85.040, 19.85.050, 19.85.070, 4 43.31.601, 43.31.611, 43.31.621, 43.63A.021, 43.31.641, 43.63A.440, 5 43.160.020, 28B.50.030, 28B.80.570, 28B.80.580, 50.12.270, 43.131.385, and 43.131.386; amending 1995 2nd sp.s. c 16 s 108 (uncodified); 6 7 amending 1995 c 226 s 7 (uncodified); amending 1995 c 226 s 8 8 (uncodified); amending 1995 c 226 s 9 (uncodified); reenacting and amending RCW 50.22.090 and 43.20A.750; adding new sections to chapter 9 43.31 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 28C.04 RCW; adding a new 10 section to chapter 19.85 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 43.63A 11 12 RCW; creating new sections; repealing RCW 43.31.651; and providing 13 expiration dates.
- 14 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. LEGISLATIVE RECOGNITION AND INTENT. The legislature recognizes the economic hardship that rural distressed areas throughout the state have undergone in recent years. Numerous rural distressed areas across the state have encountered serious economic downturns resulting in significant job loss and business

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- 1 failure. In 1991 the legislature enacted two major pieces of
- 2 legislation to promote economic development and job creation, with
- 3 particular emphasis on worker training, income, and emergency services
- 4 support, along with community revitalization through planning services
- 5 and infrastructure assistance. However even though these programs have
- 6 been of assistance, rural distressed areas still face serious economic
- 7 problems including: Above-average unemployment rates from job losses
- 8 and below-average employment growth; low rate of business start-ups;
- 9 and persistent erosion of vitally important resource-driven industries.
- 10 The legislature also recognizes that rural distressed areas in
- 11 Washington have an abiding ability and consistent will to overcome
- 12 these economic obstacles by building upon their historic foundations of
- 13 business enterprise, local leadership, and outstanding work ethic.
- 14 The legislature intends to assist rural distressed areas in their
- 15 ongoing efforts to address these difficult economic problems by
- 16 providing a comprehensive and significant array of economic tools,
- 17 necessary to harness the persistent and undaunted spirit of enterprise
- 18 that resides in the citizens of rural distressed areas throughout the
- 19 state.
- 20 The further intent of this act is to provide:
- 21 (1) A strategically designed plan of assistance, emphasizing state,
- 22 local, and private sector leadership and partnership;
- 23 (2) A comprehensive and significant array of business assistance,
- 24 services, and tax incentives that are accountable and performance
- 25 driven;
- 26 (3) An array of community assistance including infrastructure
- 27 development and business retention, attraction, and expansion programs
- 28 that will provide a competitive advantage to rural distressed areas
- 29 throughout Washington; and
- 30 (4) Regulatory relief to reduce and streamline zoning, permitting,
- 31 and regulatory requirements in order to enhance the capability of
- 32 businesses to grow and prosper in rural distressed areas.
- 33 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** GOALS. The primary goals of chapter . . .,
- 34 Laws of 1997 (this act) are to:
- 35 (1) Promote the ongoing operation of business in rural distressed
- 36 areas;
- 37 (2) Promote the expansion of existing businesses in rural
- 38 distressed areas;

- 1 (3) Attract new businesses to rural distressed areas;
- 2 (4) Assist in the development of new businesses from within rural distressed areas;
- 4 (5) Provide family wage jobs to the citizens of rural distressed 5 areas; and
- 6 (6) Promote the development of communities of excellence in rural 7 distressed areas.

8 PART I

9 **ADMINISTRATION**

- 10 NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. RURAL DISTRESSED AREAS ECONOMIC RECOVERY COORDINATION BOARD. (1) There is established the rural distressed 11 12 areas economic recovery coordination board consisting of representative, appointed by the governor, from each county that is a 13 14 rural distressed area. In addition, one member from each of the two largest political caucuses of the house of representatives shall be 15 appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives and one member 16 17 from each of the two largest political caucuses of the senate shall be 18 appointed by the president of the senate. The rural distressed areas assistance coordinator shall also be a member of the board. 19 20 associate development organization from rural distressed areas, in 21 consultation with the county legislative authority, shall submit to the 22 governor the names of three nominees representing different interests 23 in each county. Within sixty days after the effective date of this 24 section, the governor shall select one nominee from each list submitted 25 by associate development organizations. In making the appointments, the governor shall endeavor to ensure that the board represents a 26 27 diversity of backgrounds. Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner 28 as the original appointment.
 - (2) The board shall:

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- 30 (a) Advise the rural distressed areas coordinator and the rural distressed areas assistance task force on issues relating to economic 32 and social development, and review and provide recommendations on 33 proposals for the economic diversification of the rural distressed 34 areas presented to it by the coordinator.
- 35 (b) Respond to the needs and concerns of citizens at the local 36 level.

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- 1 (c) Develop strategies for the economic recovery of rural 2 distressed areas.
- 3 (d) Provide recommendations to the governor, the legislature, and 4 congress on land management and economic and regulatory policies that 5 affect rural distressed areas.
- 6 (e) Recommend to the legislature any changes or improvements in 7 existing programs designed to benefit rural distressed areas.
- 8 (3) Members of the board and committees shall receive no 9 compensation but shall be reimbursed for travel expenses under RCW 10 43.03.050 and 43.03.060.

11 PART II

12 BUSINESS ASSISTANCE

- 13 NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. STATE OFFICE OF BUSINESS ASSISTANCE AND 14 RECRUITMENT FOR RURAL DISTRESSED AREAS. There is established within the department of community, trade, and economic development the office 15 of business assistance and recruitment for rural distressed areas. The 16 17 primary responsibilities of the office are to coordinate and administer 18 a comprehensive and effective set of business assistance programs and services including: 19
- 20 (1) Business recruitment. The office shall: Provide a 21 comprehensive and aggressive program to attract viable businesses to 22 rural distressed areas; work with local communities to identify select 23 industry sectors that have a competitive advantage in specific rural 24 distressed areas; collaborate with state and local officials to modify 25 their infrastructure plans and priorities to facilitate business growth; and assist rural distressed areas in developing strategic 26 27 business recruitment plans.
- 28 (2) Business permitting and zoning one-stop shop. The office 29 shall: Provide a streamlined and customer driven siting service to 30 businesses in order to promote their attraction and expansion in rural 31 distressed areas; provide preliminary permit application and zoning 32 information and services for businesses in order to attract firms and 33 facilitate business growth in rural distressed areas.
- 34 (3) Business regulatory assistance and ombudsman services. The 35 office shall: Provide comprehensive business regulatory services to 36 assist businesses in addressing and responding to local, state, and

federal regulations; and provide recommendations on streamlining and modifying government regulations.

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- 3 (a) The office is authorized to review state zoning, permitting, or 4 regulatory requirements that pose difficulty for businesses wishing or likely to site in a rural enterprise area. In situations where the 5 office considers the zoning, permitting, or regulatory requirements 6 placed on a business in a rural enterprise area unfairly burdensome the 7 director may petition the regulatory agency or agencies for regulatory 8 9 relief. In addition the director may petition the agency or agencies 10 for relief under the regulatory fairness act, chapter 19.85 RCW.
- (b) In situations where a business or entity in a rural enterprise area is encountering regulatory oversight from more than one state agency and is experiencing conflicting direction or confusing process, the business or entity may petition the director to intercede. The director upon review of the circumstances involved is authorized to designate a lead agency to collaborate with other state agencies in order to streamline and reduce the regulatory difficulties.
- (c) Businesses or entities in a rural enterprise zone may petition 18 19 the director for an accelerated zoning, permitting, or regulatory 20 process. The director upon reviewing the petition and the circumstances involved may make a finding of regulatory unfairness and 21 22 may direct the state agency or agencies to process the business or 23 entities application in an expeditious manner with a maximum timeline 24 of six months from the director's receipt of the petition.
- 25 (4) "Brown Fields" Program. The office shall develop with the 26 department of ecology and recommend to the legislature a streamlined 27 and cost-effective process to redevelop hazardous industrial sites in 28 order to promote business growth in rural distressed areas.
- 29 (5) Rural enterprise zone development and foreign trade zone. 30 office is authorized to provide technical assistance to local governments in rural distressed areas to establish rural enterprise 31 zones and foreign trade zones. The office shall target rural 32 enterprise zones and foreign trade zones in the delivery of its 33 34 services in order to maximize the impact of its economic development assistance as outlined in section 24 of this act to businesses and 35 rural distressed areas. 36
- 37 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 5.** OFFICE ADMINISTRATION. The office shall be 38 administered by a director appointed by the director of community,

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- 1 trade, and economic development, in consultation with the rural
- 2 distressed areas economic recovery coordination board. The office
- 3 director shall coordinate activities with the rural distressed areas
- 4 resource coordinator and report on the activities and performance of
- 5 the office on a quarterly basis.
- 6 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 6.** RURAL DISTRESSED AREAS RESOURCE COORDINATOR.
- 7 (1) The governor shall appoint, subject to senate confirmation, a rural
- 8 distressed areas resource coordinator. The coordinator shall
- 9 coordinate the state and federal economic and social programs targeted
- 10 to rural distressed areas.
- 11 (2) The coordinator's responsibilities shall include but not be
- 12 limited to:
- 13 (a) Chairing the rural distressed areas economic recovery
- 14 coordination board and directing staff associated with the board.
- 15 (b) Coordinating and maximizing the impact of state and federal
- 16 assistance to rural distressed areas.
- 17 (c) Coordinating and expediting programs to assist rural distressed
- 18 areas.
- 19 (d) Providing the legislature with a status and impact report on
- 20 the rural area marketing plan and other programs and resources
- 21 assisting rural distressed areas.
- 22 (3) To assist in carrying out the duties set out under this
- 23 section, the coordinator shall consult with the Washington state rural
- 24 development council and may appoint an advisory body that has
- 25 representation from local governments and natural resources interest
- 26 groups representing rural distressed areas.
- 27 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 7.** A new section is added to chapter 28C.04 RCW
- 28 to read as follows:
- 29 JOB SKILLS/RURAL DISTRESSED AREA EMPLOYEE TRAINING. At least
- 30 seventy-five percent of all discretionary expenditures in the job
- 31 skills program shall be made to assist businesses in rural distressed
- 32 areas. For the purposes of this section, "rural distressed area" means
- 33 the same as "rural natural resources impact area" under RCW 43.31.601.
- 34 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 8.** DEVELOPMENT LOAN FUND RECAPITALIZATION. The
- 35 legislature finds that the development loan fund is a revolving loan
- 36 fund capitalized primarily with federal funds. The fund, administered

by the department of community, trade, and economic development, 1 provides low-interest loans to businesses in economically distressed 2 areas and other parts of the state. During the 1995-97 biennium, the 3 department provided three million six hundred thousand dollars in 4 loans, thereby exhausting its 1995-97 appropriation authority six 5 months prior to the end of the biennium. However, due to early 6 repayment of several loans, the account has an estimated fund balance 7 of approximately one million seven hundred thousand dollars. In order 8 to make the fund balance available for issuance of new loans prior to 9 the end of the biennium, it is necessary to provide a supplemental 10 appropriation. 11

12 **Sec. 9.** 1995 2nd sp.s. c 16 s 108 (uncodified) is amended to read 13 as follows:

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29 **Sec. 10.** RCW 43.168.140 and 1995 c 226 s 28 are each amended to 30 read as follows:

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RURAL DISTRESSED AREAS. Any funds appropriated by the legislature to the development loan fund for purposes of the timber recovery act shall be used for development loans in rural ((natural resources impact areas as defined in RCW 43.31.601)) distressed areas. At least seventy-five percent of all discretionary expenditures shall be made on behalf of businesses in rural distressed areas. For the purposes of this section, "rural distressed area" means the same as "rural natural resources impact area" under RCW 43.31.601.

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1 **Sec. 11.** RCW 43.163.210 and 1996 c 310 s 1 are each amended to 2 read as follows:

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY. For the purpose of facilitating economic development in the state of Washington and encouraging the employment of Washington workers at meaningful wages:

- (1)((The authority may develop and conduct a program or programs to provide nonrecourse revenue bond financing for the project costs for no more than five economic development activities, per fiscal year, included under the authority's general plan of economic development finance objectives. In addition, the authority may issue tax exempt bonds to finance ten manufacturing or processing activities, per fiscal year, for which the total project cost is less than one million dollars per project.
- (2)) The authority may ((also)) develop and conduct a program that will stimulate and encourage the development of new products within Washington state by the infusion of financial aid for invention and innovation in situations in which the financial aid would not otherwise be reasonably available from commercial sources. The authority is authorized to provide nonrecourse revenue bond financing for this program.
- 21 (a) For the purposes of this program, the authority shall have the 22 following powers and duties:
 - (i) To enter into financing agreements with eligible persons doing business in Washington state, upon terms and on conditions consistent with the purposes of this chapter, for the advancement of financial and other assistance to the persons for the development of specific products, procedures, and techniques, to be developed and produced in this state, and to condition the agreements upon contractual assurances that the benefits of increasing or maintaining employment and tax revenues shall remain in this state and accrue to it;
- (ii) Own, possess, and take license in patents, copyrights, and proprietary processes and negotiate and enter into contracts and establish charges for the use of the patents, copyrights, and proprietary processes when the patents and licenses for products result from assistance provided by the authority;
- (iii) Negotiate royalty payments to the authority on patents and licenses for products arising as a result of assistance provided by the authority;

- 1 (iv) Negotiate and enter into other types of contracts with 2 eligible persons that assure that public benefits will result from the 3 provision of services by the authority; provided that the contracts are 4 consistent with the state Constitution;
- 5 (v) Encourage and provide technical assistance to eligible persons 6 in the process of developing new products;
- 7 (vi) Refer eligible persons to researchers or laboratories for the 8 purpose of testing and evaluating new products, processes, or 9 innovations; and
- (vii) To the extent permitted under its contract with eligible persons, to consent to a termination, modification, forgiveness, or other change of a term of a contractual right, payment, royalty, contract, or agreement of any kind to which the authority is a party.

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(b) Eligible persons seeking financial and other assistance under this program shall forward an application, together with an application fee prescribed by rule, to the authority. An investigation and report concerning the advisability of approving an application for assistance shall be completed by the staff of the authority. The investigation and report may include, but is not limited to, facts about the company under consideration as its history, wage standards, job opportunities, stability of employment, past and present financial condition and structure, pro forma income statements, present and future markets and prospects, integrity of management as well as the feasibility of the proposed product and invention to be granted financial aid, including the state of development of the product as well as the likelihood of its commercial feasibility. After receipt and consideration of the report set out in this subsection and after other action as is deemed appropriate, the application shall be approved or denied by the authority. The applicant shall be promptly notified of action by the authority. In making the decision as to approval or denial of an application, priority shall be given to those persons operating or planning to operate businesses of special importance to Washington's economy, including, but not limited to: (i) Existing resource-based industries of agriculture, forestry, and fisheries; (ii) existing advanced technology industries of electronics, computer and instrument manufacturing, computer software, and information and design; and (iii) emerging industries such as environmental technology, biotechnology, biomedical sciences, materials sciences, and optics.

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- $((\frac{3}{2}))$ (2) The authority may also develop and implement, if 1 authorized by the legislature, such other economic development 2 3 financing programs adopted in future general plans of economic 4 development finance objectives developed under RCW 43.163.090.
- 5 (3) The authority shall develop a program and target their resources in assisting rural distressed areas in their business and job 6 7 creation and assistance efforts under chapter . . ., Laws of 1997 (this act). For the purposes of this section, "rural distressed area" means 8 9 the same as "rural natural resources impact area" under RCW 43.31.601.
- (4) The authority may not issue any bonds for the programs 10 authorized under this section after June 30, 2000. 11

12 PART III

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14 Sec. 12. RCW 67.28.210 and 1996 c 159 s 4 are each amended to read 15 as follows:

All taxes levied and collected under RCW 67.28.180, 67.28.240, and 16 17 67.28.260 shall be credited to a special fund in the treasury of the county or city imposing such tax. Such taxes shall be levied only for the purpose of paying all or any part of the cost of acquisition, 19 construction, or operating of stadium facilities, convention center 20 facilities, performing arts center facilities, and/or visual arts center facilities or to pay or secure the payment of all or any portion 23 of general obligation bonds or revenue bonds issued for such purpose or 24 purposes under this chapter, or to pay for advertising, publicizing, or otherwise distributing information for the purpose of attracting visitors and encouraging tourist expansion when a county or city has 27 imposed such tax for such purpose, or as one of the purposes hereunder, and until withdrawn for use, the moneys accumulated in such fund or funds may be invested in interest bearing securities by the county or city treasurer in any manner authorized by law. In addition such taxes may be used to develop strategies to expand tourism: PROVIDED, That any county, and any city within a county, bordering upon Grays Harbor may use the proceeds of such taxes for construction and maintenance of a movable tall ships tourist attraction in cooperation with a tall 34 ships restoration society, except to the extent that such proceeds are used for payment of principal and interest on debt incurred prior to 36 June 11, 1986: PROVIDED FURTHER, That any city or county may use the 37

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Τ	proceeds of such taxes for the refurbishing and operation of a steam
2	railway or historic maritime vessels used primarily for passenger
3	transportation for tourism promotion purposes: PROVIDED FURTHER, That
4	any city bordering on the Pacific Ocean or on Baker Bay with a
5	population of not less than eight hundred and the county in which such
6	a city is located, a city bordering on the Skagit river with a
7	population of not less than twenty thousand, or any city within a
8	county made up entirely of islands may use the proceeds of such taxes
9	for funding special events or festivals, or for the acquisition,
10	construction, or operation of publicly owned tourist promotional
11	infrastructures, structures, or buildings including but not limited to
12	an ocean beach boardwalk, public docks, and viewing towers: PROVIDED
13	FURTHER, That any county which imposes a tax under RCW 67.28.182 or any
14	city with a population less than fifty thousand in such county may use
15	the proceeds of the tax levied and collected under RCW 67.28.180 to
16	provide public restroom facilities available to and intended for use by
17	visitors: PROVIDED FURTHER, That any county made up entirely of
18	islands, $((and))$ any city or town that has a population less than five
19	thousand, and any county that is a rural distressed area as defined
20	under RCW 43.31.601 or any city within that county, may use the
21	proceeds of the tax levied and collected under RCW 67.28.180 to provide
22	public restroom facilities, parking facilities, or public lighting
23	including sport field lighting that is available to and intended for
24	use by visitors: PROVIDED FURTHER, That any city or county may use the
25	proceeds of such taxes for funding a civic festival, if the following
26	conditions are met: The festival is a community-wide event held not
27	more than once annually; the festival is approved by the city, town, or
28	county in which it is held; the festival is sponsored by an exempt
29	organization defined in section $501(c)(3)$, (4) , or (6) of the federal
30	internal revenue code; the festival provides family-oriented events
31	suiting a broad segment of the community; and the proceeds of such
32	taxes are used solely for advertising and promotional materials
33	intended to attract overnight visitors: PROVIDED FURTHER, That any
34	city may use the proceeds of such taxes for street banners to attract
35	and welcome tourists.

36 PART IV

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COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE

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Sec. 13. RCW 43.160.080 and 1992 c 235 s 10 are each amended to 2 read as follows:

PUBLIC FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION LOAN REVOLVING ACCOUNT. There shall be a fund in the state treasury known as the public facilities construction loan revolving account, which shall consist of all moneys collected under this chapter, except moneys of the board collected in connection with the issuance of industrial development revenue bonds, and any moneys appropriated to it by law((PROVIDED, That seventy-five percent of all principal and interest payments on loans made with the proceeds deposited in the account under section 901, chapter 57, Laws of 1983 1st ex. sess. shall be deposited in the general fund as reimbursement for debt service payments on the bonds authorized in RCW 43.83.184)). Disbursements from the revolving account shall be on authorization of the board. In order to maintain an effective expenditure and revenue control, the public facilities construction loan revolving account shall be subject in all respects to chapter 43.88 RCW.

Sec. 14. RCW 43.160.076 and 1996 c 51 s 7 are each amended to read 19 as follows:

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IN DISTRESSED COUNTIES OR NATURAL RESOURCES IMPACT AREAS. (1) Except as authorized to the contrary under subsection (2) of this section, from all funds available to the board for financial assistance in a biennium, the board shall spend at least ((fifty)) seventy-five percent for financial assistance for projects in distressed counties or rural natural resources impact areas. For purposes of this section, the term "distressed counties" includes any county, in which the average level of unemployment for the three years before the year in which an application for financial assistance is filed, exceeds the average state employment for those years by twenty percent.

(2) If at any time during the last six months of a biennium the board finds that the actual and anticipated applications for qualified projects in distressed counties or rural natural resources impact areas are clearly insufficient to use up the fifty percent allocation, then the board shall estimate the amount of the insufficiency and during the remainder of the biennium may use that amount of the allocation for financial assistance to projects not located in distressed counties or rural natural resources impact areas.

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- 1 **Sec. 15.** 1995 c 226 s 7 (uncodified) is amended to read as 2 follows:
- 3 RCW 43.160.076 and <u>1997 c . . . s 14 (section 14 of this act)</u>, 1991
- 4 c 314 s 24, & 1985 c 446 s 6 are each repealed effective June 30,
- $5 ((\frac{1997}{})) \underline{2000}.$
- 6 PART V
- 7 REGULATORY FAIRNESS
- 8 **Sec. 16.** RCW 19.85.011 and 1994 c 249 s 9 are each amended to read 9 as follows:
- 10 RURAL DISTRESSED AREAS REGULATORY FAIRNESS ACT. The legislature
- 11 finds that administrative rules adopted by state agencies can have a
- 12 disproportionate impact on the state's small businesses and rural
- 13 <u>distressed areas</u> because of the size of those businesses and
- 14 communities. This disproportionate impact reduces competition,
- 15 innovation, employment, and new employment opportunities, and threatens
- 16 the very existence of some small businesses and rural distressed areas.
- 17 The legislature therefore enacts the Regulatory Fairness Act with the
- 18 intent of reducing the disproportionate impact of state administrative
- 19 rules on small business and rural distressed areas.
- 20 **Sec. 17.** RCW 19.85.020 and 1994 c 249 s 10 are each amended to 21 read as follows:
- Unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, the definitions in this section apply through this chapter.
- 24 (1) "Small business" means any business entity, including a sole 25 proprietorship, corporation, partnership, or other legal entity, that
- 26 is owned and operated independently from all other businesses, that has
- 27 the purpose of making a profit, and that has fifty or fewer employees.
- 28 (2) "Small business or rural distressed areas economic impact
- 29 statement" means a statement meeting the requirements of RCW 19.85.040
- 30 prepared by a state agency pursuant to RCW 19.85.030.
- 31 (3) "Industry" means all of the businesses in this state in any one
- 32 four-digit standard industrial classification as published by the
- 33 United States department of commerce. However, if the use of a four-
- 34 digit standard industrial classification would result in the release of
- 35 data that would violate state confidentiality laws, "industry" means
- 36 all businesses in a three-digit standard industrial classification.

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- 1 (4) "Rural distressed areas" means the same as natural resource 2 impact area under RCW 43.31.601.
 - **Sec. 18.** RCW 19.85.025 and 1995 c 403 s 401 are each amended to read as follows:

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- 5 (1) Unless an agency receives a written objection to the expedited 6 repeal of a rule, this chapter does not apply to a rule proposed for 7 expedited repeal pursuant to RCW 34.05.354. If an agency receives a 8 written objection to expedited repeal of the rule, this chapter applies 9 to the rule-making proceeding.
- 10 (2) This chapter does not apply to the adoption of a rule described 11 in RCW 34.05.310(4).
- 12 (3) An agency is not required to prepare a separate small business 13 or rural distressed areas economic impact statement under RCW 19.85.040 14 if it prepared an analysis under RCW 34.05.328 that meets the requirements of a small business or rural distressed areas economic 15 16 impact statement, and if the agency reduced the costs imposed by the rule on small business or rural distressed areas to the extent required 17 18 by RCW 19.85.030(3). The portion of the analysis that meets the requirements of RCW 19.85.040 shall be filed with the code reviser and 19 provided to any person requesting it in lieu of a separate small 20 business or rural distressed areas economic impact statement. 21
- 22 **Sec. 19.** RCW 19.85.030 and 1995 c 403 s 402 are each amended to 23 read as follows:
 - (1) In the adoption of a rule under chapter 34.05 RCW, an agency shall prepare a small business or rural distressed areas economic impact statement: (a) If the proposed rule will impose more than minor costs on businesses in an industry or rural distressed areas; or (b) if requested to do so by a majority vote of the joint administrative rules review committee within forty-five days of receiving the notice of proposed rule making under RCW 34.05.320. However, if the agency has completed the pilot rule process as defined by RCW 34.05.313 before filing the notice of a proposed rule, the agency is not required to prepare a small business or rural distressed areas economic impact statement.
- An agency shall prepare the small business <u>or rural distressed</u>
 areas economic impact statement in accordance with RCW 19.85.040, and
 file it with the code reviser along with the notice required under RCW

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- 1 34.05.320. An agency shall file a statement prepared at the request of
- 2 the joint administrative rules review committee with the code reviser
- 3 upon its completion before the adoption of the rule. An agency shall
- 4 provide a copy of the small business or rural distressed areas economic
- 5 impact statement to any person requesting it.
- 6 An agency may request assistance from ((the business assistance
- 7 center)) the affected businesses or rural distressed areas in the
- 8 preparation of the small business or rural distressed areas economic
- 9 impact statement.
- 10 (2) ((The business assistance center)) Agencies shall develop
- 11 guidelines to assist ((agencies)) in determining whether a proposed
- 12 rule will impose more than minor costs on businesses in an industry or
- 13 <u>rural distressed areas</u> and therefore require preparation of a small
- 14 business or rural distressed areas economic impact statement. The
- 15 ((business assistance center)) affected businesses or rural distressed
- 16 <u>areas</u> may review an agency determination that a proposed rule will not
- 17 impose such costs, and shall advise the joint administrative rules
- 18 review committee on disputes involving agency determinations under this
- 19 section.
- 20 (3) Based upon the extent of disproportionate impact on small
- 21 business or rural distressed areas identified in the statement prepared
- 22 under RCW 19.85.040, the agency shall, where legal and feasible in
- 23 meeting the stated objectives of the statutes upon which the rule is
- 24 based, reduce the costs imposed by the rule on small businesses or
- 25 rural distressed areas. Methods to reduce the costs on small
- 26 businesses or rural distressed areas may include:
- 27 (a) Reducing, modifying, or eliminating substantive regulatory
- 28 requirements;
- 29 (b) Simplifying, reducing, or eliminating recordkeeping and
- 30 reporting requirements;
- 31 (c) Reducing the frequency of inspections;
- 32 (d) Delaying compliance timetables;
- 33 (e) Reducing or modifying fine schedules for noncompliance; or
- 34 (f) Any other mitigation techniques.
- 35 **Sec. 20.** RCW 19.85.040 and 1995 c 403 s 403 are each amended to
- 36 read as follows:
- 37 (1) A small business or rural distressed areas economic impact
- 38 statement must include a brief description of the reporting,

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- 1 recordkeeping, and other compliance requirements of the proposed rule,
- 2 and the kinds of professional services that a small business or rural
- 3 <u>distressed areas</u> is likely to need in order to comply with such
- 4 requirements. It shall analyze the costs of compliance for businesses
- 5 or rural distressed areas required to comply with the proposed rule
- 6 adopted pursuant to RCW 34.05.320, including costs of equipment,
- 7 supplies, labor, and increased administrative costs. It shall
- 8 consider, based on input received, whether compliance with the rule
- 9 will cause businesses or rural distressed areas to lose sales or
- 10 revenue. To determine whether the proposed rule will have a
- 11 disproportionate impact on small businesses or rural distressed areas,
- 12 the impact statement must compare the cost of compliance for small
- 13 business or rural distressed areas with the cost of compliance for the
- 14 ten percent of businesses or rural distressed areas that are the
- 15 largest businesses or rural distressed areas required to comply with
- 16 the proposed rules using one or more of the following as a basis for
- 17 comparing costs:
- 18 (a) Cost per employee;
- 19 (b) Cost per hour of labor; or
- 20 (c) Cost per one hundred dollars of sales.
- 21 (2) A small business <u>or rural distressed areas</u> economic impact 22 statement must also include:
- 23 (a) A statement of the steps taken by the agency to reduce the
- 24 costs of the rule on small businesses or rural distressed areas as
- 25 required by RCW 19.85.030(3), or reasonable justification for not doing
- 26 so, addressing the options listed in RCW 19.85.030(3);
- 27 (b) A description of how the agency will involve small businesses
- 28 <u>and rural distressed areas</u> in the development of the rule; and
- 29 (c) A list of industries <u>or rural distressed areas</u> that will be
- 30 required to comply with the rule. However, this subsection (2)(c)
- 31 shall not be construed to preclude application of the rule to any
- 32 business ((or)), industry, or rural distressed areas to which it would
- 33 otherwise apply.
- 34 (3) To obtain information for purposes of this section, an agency
- 35 may survey a representative sample of affected businesses ((or)), trade
- 36 associations, and rural distressed areas and should, whenever possible,
- 37 appoint a committee under RCW 34.05.310(2) to assist in the accurate
- 38 assessment of the costs of a proposed rule, and the means to reduce the
- 39 costs imposed on small business and rural distressed areas.

- 1 **Sec. 21.** RCW 19.85.050 and 1989 c 175 s 74 are each amended to 2 read as follows:
- 3 (1) Within one year after ((June 10, 1982)) the effective date of 4 this act, each agency shall publish and deliver to the office of 5 financial management and to all persons who make requests of the agency for a copy of a plan to periodically review all rules then in effect 6 7 and which have been issued by the agency which have an economic impact 8 on more than twenty percent of all industries or ten percent of the 9 businesses in any one industry or significant number of rural 10 distressed areas. Such plan may be amended by the agency at any time by publishing a revision to the review plan and delivering such revised 11 12 plan to the office of financial management and to all persons who make 13 requests of the agency for the plan. The purpose of the review is to determine whether such rules should be continued without change or 14 15 should be amended or rescinded, consistent with the stated objectives 16 of applicable statutes, to minimize the economic impact on small 17 businesses or rural distressed areas as described by this chapter. The plan shall provide for the review of all such agency rules in effect on 18 19 ((June 10, 1982)) the effective date of this act, within ten years of 20 that date.
- (2) In reviewing rules to minimize any significant economic impact of the rule on small businesses <u>or rural distressed areas</u> as described by this chapter, and in a manner consistent with the stated objectives of applicable statutes, the agency shall consider the following factors:
- 26 (a) The continued need for the rule;
- (b) The nature of complaints or comments received concerning the rule from the public;
 - (c) The complexity of the rule;

- 30 (d) The extent to which the rule overlaps, duplicates, or conflicts 31 with other state or federal rules, and, to the extent feasible, with 32 local governmental rules; and
- 33 (e) The degree to which technology, economic conditions, or other 34 factors have changed in the subject area affected by the rule.
- 35 (3) Each year each agency shall publish a list of rules which are 36 to be reviewed pursuant to this section during the next twelve months 37 and deliver a copy of the list to the office of financial management 38 and all persons who make requests of the agency for the list. The list 39 shall include a brief description of the legal basis for each rule as

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- 1 described by RCW 34.05.360, and shall invite public comment upon the 2 rule.
- 3 **Sec. 22.** RCW 19.85.070 and 1992 c 197 s 1 are each amended to read 4 as follows:
- 5 When any rule is proposed for which a small business <u>or rural</u>
- 6 <u>distressed areas</u> economic impact statement is required, the adopting
- 7 agency shall provide notice to small businesses and rural distressed
- 8 <u>areas</u> of the proposed rule through any of the following:
- 9 (1) Direct notification of known interested small businesses
- 10 ((or)), trade organizations, and rural distressed areas affected by the
- 11 proposed rule; or
- 12 (2) Providing information of the proposed rule making to
- 13 publications likely to be obtained by small businesses and the
- 14 <u>legislative authority of rural distressed areas</u> of the types affected
- 15 by the proposed rule.
- 16 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 23.** A new section is added to chapter 19.85 RCW
- 17 to read as follows:
- 18 The office of business assistance and recruitment for rural
- 19 distressed areas is authorized to:
- 20 (1) Petition state agencies for regulatory relief for businesses or
- 21 other entities in rural distressed areas that encounter regulatory
- 22 problems;
- 23 (2) Designate a lead state agency when businesses or other entities
- 24 in a rural enterprise zone are encountering conflicting or confusing
- 25 regulatory requirements from more than one state agency; and
- 26 (3) Direct a state regulatory agency or agencies to accelerate a
- 27 permitting, zoning, or regulatory requirement according to the
- 28 requirements outlined in section 4(3) of this act. The maximum time
- 29 length of the accelerated process is six months from the time of the
- 30 petition to the office by the business or entity located in a rural
- 31 area enterprise zone.
- 32 <u>NEW SECTION</u>. **Sec. 24.** A new section is added to chapter 43.63A
- 33 RCW to read as follows:
- RURAL ENTERPRISE ZONES. The legislature recognizes the unique
- 35 difficulties encountered by communities in rural distressed areas
- 36 wishing to promote business development, increase employment

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- 1 opportunities, and provide a high quality of life for its citizens. In
- 2 response the legislature authorizes the establishment of rural
- 3 enterprise zones that will allow the targeting of state services and
- 4 resources in the form of business, industry recruitment, regulatory
- 5 relief, and infrastructure development. It is the intent of the
- 6 legislature to provide the critical level of resources and services to
- 7 businesses and entities located in these rural enterprise zones that
- 8 they will be the catalyst for economic prosperity and diversity
- 9 throughout rural distressed areas in Washington.
- 10 (1) The department in cooperation with the department of revenue
- 11 and other state agencies shall approve applications submitted by local
- 12 governments in rural distressed areas. The application shall be in the
- 13 form and manner and contain the necessary information designated by the
- 14 department. The application shall:
- 15 (a) Be submitted on behalf of the local government by the chief
- 16 elected official or, if none, by the governing body of the local
- 17 government;
- 18 (b) Outline the purpose for the economic development enterprise
- 19 zone and the process in which the application was developed;
- 20 (c) Demonstrate the level of government and community support for
- 21 the enterprise zone;
- 22 (d) Outline the manner in which the enterprise zone will be
- 23 governed and report its activities to the local government and the
- 24 department; and
- 25 (e) Designate the geographic area in which the rural enterprise
- 26 zone will exist.
- 27 (2) Rural enterprise zones are authorized to:
- 28 (a) Hire a director or designate an individual to oversee
- 29 operations;
- 30 (b) Seek federal, state, and local government support in its
- 31 efforts to target, develop, and attract viable businesses;
- 32 (c) Work with the office of business assistance and recruitment for
- 33 rural distressed areas in the pursuit of its economic development
- 34 activities;
- 35 (d) Provide a local one-stop shop for businesses intending to
- 36 locate, retain, expand, or start their businesses within its zone;
- 37 (e) Provide comprehensive permitting, zoning, and regulatory
- 38 assistance to businesses or entities within the zone; and

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- (f) Petition the office of business assistance and recruitment for 1 2 rural distressed areas for regulatory relief, or designation of a lead 3 regulatory agency, or accelerated permitting, zoning, or regulatory 4 process as provided in section 23 of this act.
- 5 (3) Rural enterprise zones are authorized to receive the services and funding resources as provided under the rural area marketing plan 6 7 and other resources assisting rural distressed areas.
- 8 (4) Rural enterprise zones may be established in conjunction with a foreign trade zone. 9

10 PART VII

REAUTHORIZATION OF EXISTING PROGRAMS 11

- 12 Sec. 25. RCW 43.31.601 and 1995 c 226 s 1 are each amended to read 13 as follows:
- 14 For the purposes of RCW 43.31.601 through ((43.31.661)) 43.31.641:
- (1) "Timber impact area" means a county having a population of less 15 than five hundred thousand, or a city or town located within a county
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- 17 having a population of less than five hundred thousand, and meeting two of the following three criteria, as determined by the employment
- 18 security department, for the most recent year such data is available: 19
- 20 (a) A lumber and wood products employment location quotient at or above
- 21 the state average; (b) projected or actual direct lumber and wood
- 22 products job losses of one hundred positions or more, except counties
- 23 having a population greater than two hundred thousand but less than
- 24 five hundred thousand must have direct lumber and wood products job
- 25 losses of one thousand positions or more; or (c) an annual unemployment
- rate twenty percent or more above the state average. 26
- 27 (2)(a) "Rural natural resources impact area" or "rural distressed 28 <u>area"</u> means:
- 29 (i) A nonmetropolitan county, as defined by the 1990 decennial census, that meets ((two)) three of the five criteria set forth in (b)
- 31 of this subsection; ((or))
- 32 (ii) A nonmetropolitan county with a population of less than forty
- 33 thousand in the 1990 decennial census, that meets two of the five
- criteria as set forth in (b) of this subsection; or 34
- 35 (iii) A nonurbanized area, as defined by the 1990 decennial census,
- that is located in a metropolitan county that meets ((two)) three of 36
- 37 the five criteria set forth in (b) of this subsection.

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- 1 (b) For the purposes of designating rural natural resources impact 2 areas, the following criteria shall be considered:
- 3 (i) A lumber and wood products employment location quotient at or 4 above the state average;
- 5 (ii) A commercial salmon fishing employment location quotient at or 6 above the state average;
- 7 (iii) Projected or actual direct lumber and wood products job 8 losses of one hundred positions or more;
- 9 (iv) Projected or actual direct commercial salmon fishing job 10 losses of one hundred positions or more; and
- 11 (v) An unemployment rate twenty percent or more above the state 12 average.
- The counties that meet these criteria shall be determined by the 13 employment security department for the most recent year for which data 14 is available. For the purposes of administration of programs under 15 16 this chapter, the United States post office five-digit zip code 17 delivery areas will be used to determine residence status for eligibility purposes. For the purpose of this definition, a zip code 18 19 delivery area ((that is located wholly or partially in an urbanized 20 area or within two)) of which any part is ten miles ((of)) or more from an urbanized area is considered nonurbanized. A zip code totally 21 surrounded by zip codes qualifying as nonurbanized under this 22 <u>definition</u> is also considered nonurbanized. The office of financial 23 24 management shall make available a zip code listing of the areas to all 25 agencies and organizations providing services under this chapter.
- 26 **Sec. 26.** RCW 43.31.611 and 1995 c 226 s 2 are each amended to read 27 as follows:
- 28 (1) The governor shall appoint a rural community assistance 29 coordinator. The coordinator shall coordinate the state and federal 30 economic and social programs targeted to rural natural resources impact 31 areas.
- 32 (2) The coordinator's responsibilities shall include but not be 33 limited to:
- 34 (a) Chairing the agency rural community assistance task force and 35 directing staff associated with the task force.
- 36 (b) Coordinating and maximizing the impact of state and federal 37 assistance to rural natural resources impact areas.

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- 1 (c) Coordinating and expediting programs to assist rural natural 2 resources impact areas.
- 3 (d) Providing the legislature with a status and impact report on 4 the rural community assistance program in January ((1996)) 1998.
- 5 (3) To assist in carrying out the duties set out under this 6 section, the coordinator shall consult with the Washington state rural 7 development council and may appoint an advisory body that has 8 representation from local governments and natural resources interest 9 groups representing impacted rural communities.
- 10 (4) This section shall expire June 30, $((\frac{1997}{}))$ 2000.
- 11 **Sec. 27.** RCW 43.31.621 and 1996 c 186 s 508 are each amended to 12 read as follows:
- 13 (1) There is established the agency rural community assistance task 14 The task force shall be chaired by the rural community 15 assistance coordinator. It shall be the responsibility of the coordinator that all directives of chapter 314, Laws of 1991, and 16 chapter 226, Laws of 1995 are carried out expeditiously by the agencies 17 18 represented in the task force. The task force shall consist of the directors, or representatives of the directors, of the following 19 The department of community, trade, 20 agencies: and development, employment security department, department of social and 21 health services, state board for community and technical colleges, work 22 23 force training and education coordinating board, department of natural 24 resources, department of transportation, department of fish and 25 wildlife, University of Washington center for international trade in 26 forest products, department of agriculture, and department of ecology. The task force shall solicit and consider input from the rural 27 development council in coordinating agency programs targeted to rural 28 29 natural resources impacted communities. The task force may consult and enlist the assistance of the following: 30 The higher education coordinating board, University of Washington college of forest 31 resources, University of Washington school of fisheries, Washington 32 33 State University school of forestry, Northwest policy center, state 34 superintendent of public instruction, Washington state labor council, the Evergreen partnership, Washington state association of counties, 35 and others as needed. 36
- 37 (2) ((The task force, in conjunction with the rural development 38 council, shall undertake a study to determine whether additional

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- 1 communities and industries are impacted, or are likely to be impacted,
- 2 by salmon preservation and recovery efforts. The task force shall
- 3 consider possible impacts in the following industries and associated
- 4 communities: Barge transportation, irrigation dependent agriculture,
- 5 food processing, aluminum, charter recreational fishing, boatbuilding,
- 6 and other sectors suggested by the task force. The task force shall
- 7 report its findings and recommendations to the legislature by January
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- 9 $\frac{(3)}{(3)}$) This section shall expire June 30, $((\frac{1997}{)})$ 2000.
- 10 **Sec. 28.** RCW 50.22.090 and 1995 c 226 s 5 and 1995 c 57 s 2 are 11 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
- 12 (1) An additional benefit period is established for rural natural 13 resources impact areas, defined in RCW 43.31.601, and determined by the 14 office of financial management and the employment security department.
- 15 Benefits shall be paid as provided in subsection (3) of this section to exhaustees eligible under subsection (4) of this section.
- 17 (2) The additional benefit period for a county may end no sooner 18 than fifty-two weeks after the additional benefit period begins.
 - (3) Additional benefits shall be paid as follows:
- (a) No new claims for additional benefits shall be accepted for weeks beginning after July 1, ((1997)) 1999, but for claims established on or before July 1, ((1997)) 1999, weeks of unemployment occurring after July 1, ((1997)) 1999, shall be compensated as provided in this section.
 - (b) The total additional benefit amount shall be one hundred four times the individual's weekly benefit amount, reduced by the total amount of regular benefits and extended benefits paid, or deemed paid, with respect to the benefit year. Additional benefits shall not be payable for weeks more than two years beyond the end of the benefit year of the regular claim for an individual whose benefit year ends on or after July 27, 1991, and shall not be payable for weeks ending on or after two years after March 26, 1992, for individuals who become eligible as a result of chapter 47, Laws of 1992.
- 34 (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of (b) of this subsection, 35 individuals will be entitled to up to five additional weeks of benefits 36 following the completion or termination of training.
- 37 (d) Notwithstanding the provisions of (b) of this subsection, 38 individuals enrolled in prerequisite remedial education for a training

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- 1 program expected to last at least one year will be entitled to up to 2 thirteen additional weeks of benefits which shall not count toward the 3 total in (b) of this subsection.
- 4 (e) The weekly benefit amount shall be calculated as specified in 5 RCW 50.22.040.
- (f) Benefits paid under this section shall be paid under the same terms and conditions as regular benefits. The additional benefit period shall be suspended with the start of an extended benefit period, or any totally federally funded benefit program, with eligibility criteria and benefits comparable to the program established by this section, and shall resume the first week following the end of the federal program.
- 13 (g) The amendments in chapter 316, Laws of 1993 affecting 14 subsection (3)(b) and (c) of this section shall apply in the case of all individuals determined to be monetarily eligible under this section without regard to the date eligibility was determined.
- 17 (4) An additional benefit eligibility period is established for any 18 exhaustee who:
- 19 (a)(i) At the time of last separation from employment, resided in 20 or was employed in a rural natural resources impact area defined in RCW 21 43.31.601 and determined by the office of financial management and the 22 employment security department; or
 - (ii) During his or her base year, earned wages in at least six hundred eighty hours in either the forest products industry, which shall be determined by the department but shall include the industries assigned the major group standard industrial classification codes "24" and "26" and the industries involved in the harvesting and management of logs, transportation of logs and wood products, processing of wood products, and the manufacturing and distribution of wood processing and logging equipment or the fishing industry assigned the standard industrial classification code "0912". The commissioner may adopt rules further interpreting the industries covered under this subsection. For the purposes of this subsection, "standard industrial classification code" means the code identified in RCW 50.29.025(6)(c); and
 - (b)(i) Has received notice of termination or layoff; and
- 37 (ii) Is unlikely to return to employment in his or her principal 38 occupation or previous industry because of a diminishing demand within

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- 1 his or her labor market for his or her skills in the occupation or 2 industry; and
- 3 (c)(i) Is notified by the department of the requirements of this 4 section and develops an individual training program that is submitted to the commissioner for approval not later than sixty days after the 5 individual is notified of the requirements of this section, and enters 6 7 the approved training program not later than ninety days after the date 8 of the individual's termination or layoff, or ninety days after July 1, 9 1991, whichever is later, unless the department determines that the 10 training is not available during the ninety-day period, in which case
- 12 (ii) Is enrolled in training approved under this section on a full-13 time basis and maintains satisfactory progress in the training.

the individual shall enter training as soon as it is available; or

- (5) For the purposes of this section:
- (a) "Training program" means:

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- 16 (i) A remedial education program determined to be necessary after 17 counseling at the educational institution in which the individual 18 enrolls pursuant to his or her approved training program; or
- 19 (ii) A vocational training program at an educational institution 20 that:
- 21 (A) Is training for a labor demand occupation; and
- 22 (B) Is likely to facilitate a substantial enhancement of the 23 individual's marketable skills and earning power.
- (b) "Educational institution" means an institution of higher education as defined in RCW 28B.10.016 or an educational institution as defined in RCW 28C.04.410(3).
- (c) "Training allowance or stipend" means discretionary use, cashin-hand payments available to the individual to be used as the individual sees fit, but does not mean direct or indirect compensation for training costs, such as tuition or books and supplies.
- 31 (6) The commissioner shall adopt rules as necessary to implement 32 this section.
- 33 (7) The provisions of RCW 50.22.010(10) shall not apply to anyone 34 who establishes eligibility for additional benefits under this section 35 and whose benefit year ends after January 1, 1994. These individuals 36 will have the option of remaining on the original claim or filing a new 37 claim.

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Sec. 29. RCW 43.63A.021 and 1995 c 226 s 11 are each amended to 2 read as follows:

Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter.

- (1) "Dislocated forest products worker" means a forest products worker who: (a)(i) Has been terminated or received notice of termination from employment and is unlikely to return to employment in the individual's principal occupation or previous industry because of a diminishing demand for his or her skills in that occupation or industry; or (ii) is self-employed and has been displaced from his or her business because of the diminishing demand for the business's services or goods; and (b) at the time of last separation from employment, resided in or was employed in a rural natural resources impact area.
- (2) "Forest products worker" means a worker in the forest products industries affected by the reduction of forest fiber enhancement, transportation, or production. The workers included within this definition shall be determined by the employment security department, but shall include workers employed in the industries assigned the major group standard industrial classification codes "24" and "26" and the industries involved in the harvesting and management of logs, transportation of logs and wood products, processing of wood products, and the manufacturing and distribution of wood processing and logging equipment. The commissioner may adopt rules further interpreting these definitions. For the purposes of this subsection, "standard industrial classification code" means the code identified in RCW 50.29.025(6)(c).
- (3) "Dislocated salmon fishing worker" means a ((salmon)) finfish products worker who: (a)(i) Has been terminated or received notice of termination from employment and is unlikely to return to employment in the individual's principal occupation or previous industry because of a diminishing demand for his or her skills in that occupation or industry; or (ii) is self-employed and has been displaced from his or her business because of the diminishing demand for the business's services or goods; and (b) at the time of last separation from employment, resided in or was employed in a rural natural resources impact area.
- 37 (4) "Salmon fishing worker" means a worker in the ((salmon))
 38 <u>finfish</u> industry affected by 1994 or future salmon disasters. The
 39 workers included within this definition shall be determined by the

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- 1 employment security department, but shall include workers employed in
- 2 the industries involved in the commercial and recreational harvesting
- 3 of ((salmon)) finfish including buying and processing ((salmon))
- 4 <u>finfish</u>. The commissioner may adopt rules further interpreting these
- 5 definitions.
- 6 **Sec. 30.** RCW 43.31.641 and 1995 c 226 s 4 are each amended to read 7 as follows:
- The department of community, trade, and economic development, as a member of the agency rural community assistance task force, shall:
- 10 (1) ((Implement an expanded value-added forest products development
 11 industrial extension program. The department shall provide technical
 12 assistance to small and medium-sized forest products companies to
 13 include:
- 14 (a) Secondary manufacturing product development;
- 15 (b) Plant and equipment maintenance;
- 16 (c) Identification and development of domestic market 17 opportunities;
- 18 (d) Building products export development assistance;
- 19 (e) At-risk business development assistance;
- 20 (f) Business network development; and
- 21 (g) Timber impact area industrial diversification.
- 22 (2) Provide local contracts for small and medium-sized forest 23 product companies, start-ups, and business organizations for business 24 feasibility, market development, and business network contracts that 25 will benefit value-added production efforts in the industry.
- 26 (3) Contract with local business organizations in timber impact
 27 areas for development of programs to promote industrial
 28 diversification. The department shall provide local capacity-building
 29 grants to local governments and community-based organizations in timber
 30 impact areas, which may include long-range planning and needs
 31 assessments.
- For the 1991 93 biennium, the department of community, trade, and economic development shall use funds appropriated for this section for contracts and for no more than two additional staff positions))

 Administer available federal grant funds to support strategic diversification needs and opportunities of timber-dependent communities, value-added forest products firms, and the value-added
- 38 forest products industry in Washington state.

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- 1 (2) Provide technical aid to value-added wood products companies
- 2 for new investment and job creation; and work with wood products firms
- 3 to assure the continued operation and help retain jobs.
- 4 (3) Provide value-added wood products companies with building
- 5 products export development assistance.
- 6 **Sec. 31.** RCW 43.63A.440 and 1995 c 226 s 13 are each amended to 7 read as follows:
- 8 The department of community, trade, and economic development shall
- 9 provide technical and financial assistance to communities adversely
- 10 impacted by reductions in timber harvested from federal, state, and
- 11 private lands and reduction of salmon fishing caused by efforts to
- 12 maintain the long-term viability of salmon stocks. ((This assistance
- 13 shall include the formation and implementation of community economic
- 14 development plans. The department of community, trade, and economic
- 15 development shall utilize existing state technical and financial
- 16 assistance programs, and shall aid communities in seeking private and
- 17 federal financial assistance for the purposes of this section. The
- 18 department may contract for services provided for under this section))
- 19 The department shall use existing technical and financial assistance
- 20 resources to aid communities in planning, implementing, and assembling
- 21 financing for high priority community economic development projects.
- 22 **Sec. 32.** RCW 43.160.020 and 1996 c 51 s 2 are each amended to read
- 23 as follows:
- 24 Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in
- 25 this section apply throughout this chapter.
- 26 (1) "Board" means the community economic revitalization board.
- 27 (2) "Bond" means any bond, note, debenture, interim certificate, or
- 28 other evidence of financial indebtedness issued by the board pursuant
- 29 to this chapter.
- 30 (3) "Department" means the department of community, trade, and
- 31 economic development.
- 32 (4) "Financial institution" means any bank, savings and loan
- 33 association, credit union, development credit corporation, insurance
- 34 company, investment company, trust company, savings institution, or
- 35 other financial institution approved by the board and maintaining an
- 36 office in the state.

- 1 (5) "Industrial development facilities" means "industrial development facilities" as defined in RCW 39.84.020.
- 3 (6) "Industrial development revenue bonds" means tax-exempt revenue 4 bonds used to fund industrial development facilities.
- 5 (7) "Local government" or "political subdivision" means any port 6 district, county, city, town, special purpose district, and any other 7 municipal corporations or quasi-municipal corporations in the state 8 providing for public facilities under this chapter.
- 9 (8) "Sponsor" means any of the following entities which customarily 10 provide service or otherwise aid in industrial or other financing and 11 are approved as a sponsor by the board: A bank, trust company, savings 12 bank, investment bank, national banking association, savings and loan 13 association, building and loan association, credit union, insurance 14 company, or any other financial institution, governmental agency, or 15 holding company of any entity specified in this subsection.
- 16 (9) "Umbrella bonds" means industrial development revenue bonds 17 from which the proceeds are loaned, transferred, or otherwise made 18 available to two or more users under this chapter.
- 19 (10) "User" means one or more persons acting as lessee, purchaser, 20 mortgagor, or borrower under a financing document and receiving or 21 applying to receive revenues from bonds issued under this chapter.
- 22 (11) "Public facilities" means bridges, roads, domestic and 23 industrial water, sanitary sewer, storm sewer, railroad, electricity, 24 natural gas, buildings or structures, and port facilities.
 - (12) "Rural natural resources impact area" means:

- 26 (a) A nonmetropolitan county, as defined by the 1990 decennial 27 census, that meets ((two)) three of the five criteria set forth in 28 subsection (13) of this section; ((or))
- 29 (b) A nonmetropolitan county with a population of less than forty
 30 thousand in the 1990 decennial census, that meets two of the five
 31 criteria as set forth in subsection (13) of this section; or
- (c) A nonurbanized area, as defined by the 1990 decennial census, that is located in a metropolitan county that meets ((two)) three of the five criteria set forth in subsection (13) of this section.
- 35 (13) For the purposes of designating rural natural resources impact 36 areas, the following criteria shall be considered:
- 37 (a) A lumber and wood products employment location quotient at or 38 above the state average;

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- 1 (b) A commercial salmon fishing employment location quotient at or 2 above the state average;
- 3 (c) Projected or actual direct lumber and wood products job losses 4 of one hundred positions or more;
- 5 (d) Projected or actual direct commercial salmon fishing job losses 6 of one hundred positions or more; and
- 7 (e) An unemployment rate twenty percent or more above the state 8 average. The counties that meet these criteria shall be determined by 9 the employment security department for the most recent year for which 10 data is available. For the purposes of administration of programs under this chapter, the United States post office five-digit zip code 11 delivery areas will be used to determine residence status for 12 13 eligibility purposes. For the purpose of this definition, a zip code delivery area ((that is located wholly or partially in an urbanized 14 15 area or within two)) of which any part is ten miles ((of)) or more from an urbanized area is considered <u>non</u>urbanized. 16 A zip code totally surrounded by zip codes qualifying as nonurbanized under this 17 definition is also considered nonurbanized. The office of financial 18 19 management shall make available a zip code listing of the areas to all 20 agencies and organizations providing services under this chapter.
- 21 **Sec. 33.** 1995 c 226 s 8 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows: 22 RCW 43.160.200 expires June 30, ((1997)) 2000.
- 23 **Sec. 34.** 1995 c 226 s 9 (uncodified) is amended to read as follows: 24 RCW 43.160.210 shall take effect June 30, ((1997)) 2000.
- 25 **Sec. 35.** RCW 28B.50.030 and 1995 c 226 s 17 are each amended to 26 read as follows:
- As used in this chapter, unless the context requires otherwise, the term:
- 29 (1) "System" shall mean the state system of community and technical 30 colleges, which shall be a system of higher education.
- 31 (2) "Board" shall mean the work force training and education 32 coordinating board.
- 33 (3) "College board" shall mean the state board for community and 34 technical colleges created by this chapter.
- 35 (4) "Director" shall mean the administrative director for the state 36 system of community and technical colleges.

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

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(12) "Adult education" shall mean all education or instruction, including academic, vocational education or training, basic skills and literacy training, and "occupational education" provided by public educational institutions, including common school districts for persons who are eighteen years of age and over or who hold a high school diploma or certificate. However, "adult education" shall not include academic education or instruction for persons under twenty-one years of age who do not hold a high school degree or diploma and who are attending a public high school for the sole purpose of obtaining a high school diploma or certificate, nor shall "adult education" include education or instruction provided by any four year public institution 38 of higher education.

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"Dislocated forest product worker" shall mean a forest products worker who: (a)(i) Has been terminated or received notice of termination from employment and is unlikely to return to employment in 4 the individual's principal occupation or previous industry because of a diminishing demand for his or her skills in that occupation or industry; or (ii) is self-employed and has been displaced from his or her business because of the diminishing demand for the business's services or goods; and (b) at the time of last separation from employment, resided in or was employed in a rural natural resources impact area.

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- (14) "Forest products worker" shall mean a worker in the forest 11 products industries affected by the reduction of forest fiber 12 13 enhancement, transportation, or production. The workers included within this definition shall be determined by the employment security 14 15 department, but shall include workers employed in the industries 16 assigned the major group standard industrial classification codes "24" 17 and "26" and the industries involved in the harvesting and management of logs, transportation of logs and wood products, processing of wood 18 19 products, and the manufacturing and distribution of wood processing and 20 logging equipment. The commissioner may adopt rules interpreting these definitions. For the purposes of this subsection, 21 "standard industrial classification code" means the code identified in 22 23 RCW 50.29.025(6)(c).
 - (15) "Dislocated salmon fishing worker" means a ((salmon)) finfish products worker who: (a)(i) Has been terminated or received notice of termination from employment and is unlikely to return to employment in the individual's principal occupation or previous industry because of a diminishing demand for his or her skills in that occupation or industry; or (ii) is self-employed and has been displaced from his or her business because of the diminishing demand for the business's services or goods; and (b) at the time of last separation from employment, resided in or was employed in a rural natural resources impact area.
- 34 (16) "Salmon fishing worker" means a worker in the ((salmon)) <u>finfish</u> industry affected by 1994 or future salmon disasters. 35 The workers included within this definition shall be determined by the 36 37 employment security department, but shall include workers employed in the industries involved in the commercial and recreational harvesting 38 39 of ((salmon)) finfish including buying and processing ((salmon))

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- 1 finfish. The commissioner may adopt rules further interpreting these
 2 definitions.
 - (17) "Rural natural resources impact area" means:

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- 4 (a) A nonmetropolitan county, as defined by the 1990 decennial census, that meets ((two)) three of the five criteria set forth in subsection (18) of this section; ((or))
- 7 (b) A nonmetropolitan county with a population of less than forty 8 thousand in the 1990 decennial census, that meets two of the five 9 criteria as set forth in subsection (18) of this section; or
- 10 <u>(c)</u> A nonurbanized area, as defined by the 1990 decennial census, 11 that is located in a metropolitan county that meets ((two)) three of 12 the five criteria set forth in subsection (18) of this section.
- 13 (18) For the purposes of designating rural natural resources impact 14 areas, the following criteria shall be considered:
- 15 (a) A lumber and wood products employment location quotient at or 16 above the state average;
- 17 (b) A commercial salmon fishing employment location quotient at or 18 above the state average;
- 19 (c) Projected or actual direct lumber and wood products job losses 20 of one hundred positions or more;
- 21 (d) Projected or actual direct commercial salmon fishing job losses 22 of one hundred positions or more; and
- 23 (e) An unemployment rate twenty percent or more above the state 24 average. The counties that meet these criteria shall be determined by 25 the employment security department for the most recent year for which 26 data is available. For the purposes of administration of programs 27 under this chapter, the United States post office five-digit zip code delivery areas will be used to determine residence status for 28 29 eligibility purposes. For the purpose of this definition, a zip code 30 delivery area ((that is located wholly or partially in an urbanized 31 area or within two)) of which any part is ten miles ((of)) or more from an urbanized area is considered nonurbanized. A zip code totally 32 surrounded by zip codes qualifying as nonurbanized under this 33 34 definition is also considered nonurbanized. The office of financial 35 management shall make available a zip code listing of the areas to all
- 37 **Sec. 36.** RCW 28B.80.570 and 1995 c 226 s 20 are each amended to 38 read as follows:

agencies and organizations providing services under this chapter.

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- Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout RCW 28B.80.575 through 28B.80.585.
 - (1) "Board" means the higher education coordinating board.

- (2) "Dislocated forest products worker" means a forest products worker who: (a)(i) Has been terminated or received notice of termination from employment and is unlikely to return to employment in the individual's principal occupation or previous industry because of a diminishing demand for his or her skills in that occupation or industry; or (ii) is self-employed and has been displaced from his or her business because of the diminishing demand for the business's services or goods; and (b) at the time of last separation from employment, resided in or was employed in a rural natural resources impact area.
- (3) "Forest products worker" means a worker in the forest products industries affected by the reduction of forest fiber enhancement, transportation, or production. The workers included within this definition shall be determined by the employment security department, but shall include workers employed in the industries assigned the major group standard industrial classification codes "24" and "26" and the industries involved in the harvesting and management of logs, transportation of logs and wood products, processing of wood products, and the manufacturing and distribution of wood processing and logging equipment. The commissioner may adopt rules further interpreting these definitions. For the purposes of this subsection, "standard industrial classification code" means the code identified in RCW 50.29.025(6)(c).
- (4) "Dislocated salmon fishing worker" means a ((salmon)) finfish products worker who: (a)(i) Has been terminated or received notice of termination from employment and is unlikely to return to employment in the individual's principal occupation or previous industry because of a diminishing demand for his or her skills in that occupation or industry; or (ii) is self-employed and has been displaced from his or her business because of the diminishing demand for the business's services or goods; and (b) at the time of last separation from employment, resided in or was employed in a rural natural resources impact area.
- (5) "Salmon fishing worker" means a worker in the ((salmon)) finfish industry affected by 1994 or future salmon disasters. The workers included within this definition shall be determined by the employment security department, but shall include workers employed in

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- 1 the industries involved in the commercial and recreational harvesting
- 2 of ((salmon)) finfish including buying and processing ((salmon))
- $\frac{1}{2}$ finfish. The commissioner may adopt rules further interpreting these definitions.
- 5 (6) "Rural natural resources impact area" means:
- 6 (a) A nonmetropolitan county, as defined by the 1990 decennial 7 census, that meets ((two)) three of the five criteria set forth in 8 subsection (7) of this section; ((or))
- 9 (b) A nonmetropolitan county with a population of less than forty
 10 thousand in the 1990 decennial census, that meets two of the five
 11 criteria as set forth in subsection (7) of this section; or
- (c) A nonurbanized area, as defined by the 1990 decennial census, that is located in a metropolitan county that meets ((two)) three of the five criteria set forth in subsection (7) of this section.
- 15 (7) For the purposes of designating rural natural resources impact 16 areas, the following criteria shall be considered:
- 17 (a) A lumber and wood products employment location quotient at or 18 above the state average;
- 19 (b) A commercial salmon fishing employment location quotient at or 20 above the state average;
- (c) Projected or actual direct lumber and wood products job losses of one hundred positions or more;
- 23 (d) Projected or actual direct commercial salmon fishing job losses 24 of one hundred positions or more; and
- 25 (e) An unemployment rate twenty percent or more above the state 26 average. The counties that meet these criteria shall be determined by 27 the employment security department for the most recent year for which 28 data is available. For the purposes of administration of programs 29 under this chapter, the United States post office five-digit zip code 30 delivery areas will be used to determine residence status for 31 eligibility purposes. For the purpose of this definition, a zip code delivery area ((that is located wholly or partially in an urbanized 32 area or within two)) of which any part is ten miles ((of)) or more from 33 34 an urbanized area is considered nonurbanized. A zip code totally surrounded by zip codes qualifying as nonurbanized under this 35 definition is also considered nonurbanized. The office of financial 36 37 management shall make available a zip code listing of the areas to all

agencies and organizations providing services under this chapter.

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1 **Sec. 37.** RCW 28B.80.580 and 1995 c 226 s 22 are each amended to 2 read as follows:

- 3 (1) The board shall contract with institutions of higher education 4 to provide upper division classes to serve additional placebound students in the rural natural resources impact areas meeting the 5 following criteria, as determined by 6 the employment security 7 (a) A lumber and wood products employment location department: 8 quotient at or above the state average; (b) a commercial salmon fishing 9 employment location quotient at or above the state average; (c) a 10 direct lumber and wood products job loss of one hundred positions or more; (d) projected or actual direct commercial salmon fishing job 11 losses of one hundred positions or more; and (e) an annual unemployment 12 13 rate twenty percent above the state average; and which are not served by an existing state-funded upper division degree program. The number 14 15 of full-time equivalent students served in this manner shall be 16 determined by the applicable omnibus appropriations act. The board may 17 direct that all the full-time equivalent enrollments be served in one of the eligible rural natural resources impact areas if it should 18 19 determine that this would be the most viable manner of establishing the program and using available resources. The institutions shall utilize 20 telecommunication technology, if available, to carry out the purposes 21 Subject to the limitations of RCW 28B.15.910, the 22 of this section. 23 institutions providing the service may waive all or a portion of the 24 tuition, and service and activities fees for dislocated forest products 25 workers and dislocated salmon fishing workers or their unemployed 26 spouses enrolled as one of the full-time equivalent students allocated 27 to the college under this section.
- (2) Unemployed spouses of eligible dislocated forest products workers and dislocated salmon fishing workers may participate in the program, but tuition and fees may be waived under the program only for the worker or the spouse and not both.
- 32 (3) Subject to the limitations of RCW 28B.15.910, for any eligible
 33 participant, all or a portion of tuition may be waived for a maximum of
 34 ((four semesters or six quarters within a two-year time period)) ninety
 35 quarter credit hours or sixty semester credit hours earned within four
 36 years. The participant must be enrolled for a minimum of ((ten credits
 37 per semester or quarter)) five credit hours per quarter or three credit
 38 hours per semester.

- 3 (1) The department of social and health services shall help 4 families and workers in rural natural resources impact areas make the transition through economic difficulties and shall provide services to 5 assist workers to gain marketable skills. The department, as a member 6 7 of the agency rural community assistance task force and, where 8 appropriate, under an interagency agreement with the department of 9 community, trade, and economic development, shall provide grants 10 through the office of the secretary for services to the unemployed in rural natural resources impact areas and to dislocated salmon fishing 11 workers as defined in RCW 43.63A.021 who live in urban areas of 12 qualifying rural natural resource impact counties, including providing 13 direct or referral services, establishing and operating service 14 15 delivery programs, and coordinating delivery programs and delivery of 16 services. These grants may be awarded for family support centers, 17 reemployment centers, or other local service agencies.
- 18 (2) The services provided through the grants may include, but need 19 not be limited to: Credit counseling; social services including 20 marital counseling; psychotherapy or psychological counseling; mortgage 21 foreclosures and utilities problems counseling; drug and alcohol abuse 22 services; medical services; and residential heating and food 23 acquisition.

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- (3) Funding for these services shall be coordinated through the agency rural community assistance task force which will establish a fund to provide child care assistance, mortgage assistance, and counseling which cannot be met through current programs. No funds shall be used for additional full-time equivalents for administering this section.
- 30 (4)(a) Grants for family support centers are intended to provide 31 support to families by responding to needs identified by the families and communities served by the centers. Services provided by family 32 support centers may include parenting education, child development 33 34 assessments, health and nutrition education, counseling, information and referral services. Such services may be provided 35 directly by the center or through referral to other agencies 36 37 participating in the interagency team.
- 38 (b) The department shall consult with the council on child abuse or 39 neglect regarding grants for family support centers.

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- 1 (5) "Rural natural resources impact area" means:
- 2 (a) A nonmetropolitan county, as defined by the 1990 decennial 3 census, that meets ((two)) three of the five criteria set forth in 4 subsection (6) of this section; ((or))
- 5 (b) A nonmetropolitan county with a population of less than forty
 6 thousand in the 1990 decennial census, that meets two of the five
 7 criteria as set forth in subsection (6) of this section; or
- 8 <u>(c)</u> A nonurbanized area, as defined by the 1990 decennial census, 9 that is located in a metropolitan county that meets ((two)) three of 10 the five criteria set forth in subsection (6) of this section.
- 11 (6) For the purposes of designating rural natural resources impact 12 areas, the following criteria shall be considered:
- 13 (a) A lumber and wood products employment location quotient at or 14 above the state average;
- 15 (b) A commercial salmon fishing employment location quotient at or 16 above the state average;
- 17 (c) Projected or actual direct lumber and wood products job losses 18 of one hundred positions or more;
- 19 (d) Projected or actual direct commercial salmon fishing job losses 20 of one hundred positions or more; and
- (e) An unemployment rate twenty percent or more above the state 21 average. The counties that meet these criteria shall be determined by 22 the employment security department for the most recent year for which 23 24 data is available. For the purposes of administration of programs 25 under this chapter, the United States post office five-digit zip code 26 delivery areas will be used to determine residence status for 27 eligibility purposes. For the purpose of this definition, a zip code delivery area ((that is located wholly or partially in an urbanized 28 29 area or within two)) of which any part is ten miles ((of)) or more from 30 an urbanized area is considered <u>non</u>urbanized. A zip code totally 31 surrounded by zip codes qualifying as nonurbanized under this definition is also considered nonurbanized. The office of financial 32 management shall make available a zip code listing of the areas to all 33 agencies and organizations providing services under this chapter. 34
- 35 **Sec. 39.** RCW 50.12.270 and 1995 c 226 s 30 are each amended to 36 read as follows:
- 37 (1) Subject to the availability of state or federal funds, the 38 employment security department, as a member of the agency rural

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- 1 community assistance task force, shall consult with and may subcontract
- 2 with local educational institutions, local businesses, local labor
- 3 organizations, local associate development organizations, local private
- 4 industry councils, local social service organizations, and local
- 5 governments in carrying out a program of training and services,
- 6 including training through the entrepreneurial training program, for
- 7 dislocated workers in rural natural resources impact areas.
- 8 (2) The department shall conduct a survey to determine the actual
- 9 future employment needs and jobs skills in rural natural resources
- 10 impact areas.
- 11 (3) The department shall coordinate the services provided in this
- 12 section with all other services provided by the department and with the
- 13 other economic recovery efforts undertaken by state and local
- 14 government agencies on behalf of the rural natural resources impact
- 15 areas.
- 16 (4) The department shall make every effort to procure additional
- 17 federal and other moneys for the efforts enumerated in this section.
- 18 (5) For the purposes of this section, "rural natural resources
- 19 impact area" means:
- 20 (a) A nonmetropolitan county, as defined by the 1990 decennial
- 21 census, that meets ((two)) three of the five criteria set forth in
- 22 subsection (6) of this section; ((or))
- 23 (b) A nonmetropolitan county with a population of less than forty
- 24 thousand in the 1990 decennial census, that meets two of the five
- 25 criteria as set forth in subsection (6) of this section; or
- 26 (c) A nonurbanized area, as defined by the 1990 decennial census,
- 27 that is located in a metropolitan county that meets ((two)) three of
- 28 the five criteria set forth in subsection (6) of this section.
- 29 (6) For the purposes of designating rural natural resources impact
- 30 areas, the following criteria shall be considered:
- 31 (a) A lumber and wood products employment location quotient at or
- 32 above the state average;
- 33 (b) A commercial salmon fishing employment location quotient at or
- 34 above the state average;
- 35 (c) Projected or actual direct lumber and wood products job losses
- 36 of one hundred positions or more;
- 37 (d) Projected or actual direct commercial salmon fishing job losses
- 38 of one hundred positions or more; and

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- (e) An unemployment rate twenty percent or more above the state 1 2 average. The counties that meet these criteria shall be determined by the employment security department for the most recent year for which 3 4 data is available. For the purposes of administration of programs under this chapter, the United States post office five-digit zip code 5 delivery areas will be used to determine residence status for 6 eligibility purposes. For the purpose of this definition, a zip code 7 delivery area ((that is located wholly or partially in an urbanized 8 area or within two)) of which any part is ten miles ((of)) or more from 9 10 an urbanized area is considered nonurbanized. A zip code totally surrounded by zip codes qualifying as nonurbanized under this 11 definition is also considered nonurbanized. The office of financial 12 13 management shall make available a zip code listing of the areas to all agencies and organizations providing services under this chapter. 14
- 15 **Sec. 40.** RCW 43.131.385 and 1995 c 226 s 34 are each amended to 16 read as follows:
- The rural natural resources impact area programs shall be terminated on June 30, ((1998)) 2000, as provided in RCW 43.131.386.
- 19 **Sec. 41.** RCW 43.131.386 and 1996 c 168 s 5 are each amended to 20 read as follows:
- The following acts or parts of acts are each repealed, effective June 30, ((1999)) 2001:
- 23 (1) RCW 43.31.601 and 1995 c 226 s 1, 1992 c 21 s 2, & 1991 c 314 24 s 2;
- 25 (2) RCW 43.31.641 and 1995 c 226 s 4, 1993 c 280 s 50, & 1991 c 314 26 s 7;
- 27 (3) RCW 50.22.090 and 1995 c 226 s 5, 1993 c 316 s 10, 1992 c 47 s 28 2, & 1991 c 315 s 4;
- 29 (4) RCW 43.160.212 and 1996 c 168 s 4, 1995 c 226 s 6, & 1993 c 316 30 s 5;
- 31 (5) ((RCW 43.31.651 and 1995 c 226 s 10, 1993 c 280 s 51, & 1991 c 32 314 s 9;
- (6)) RCW 43.63A.021 and 1995 c 226 s 11;
- 34 $((\frac{7}{}))$ (6) RCW 43.63A.600 and 1995 c 226 s 12, 1994 c 114 s 1,
- 35 1993 c 280 s 77, & 1991 c 315 s 23;
- 36 $((\frac{8}{1}))$ RCW 43.63A.440 and 1995 c 226 s 13, 1993 c 280 s 74, &
- 37 1989 c 424 s 7;

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((+9+))) (8) RCW 43.160.200 and 1995 c 226 s 16, 1993 c 320 s 7,
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    1993 c 316 s 4, & 1991 c 314 s 23;
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         ((\frac{10}{10})) (9) RCW 28B.50.258 and 1995 c 226 s 18 & 1991 c 315 s 16;
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         ((<del>(11)</del>)) <u>(10)</u> RCW 28B.50.262 and 1995 c 226 s 19 & 1994 c 282 s 3;
         ((\frac{12}{12})) (11) RCW 28B.80.570 and 1995 c 226 s 20, 1992 c 21 s 6, &
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    1991 c 315 s 18;
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    s 34, 1992 c 231 s 31, & 1991 c 315 s 20;
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         ((\frac{15}{15})) (14) RCW 28B.80.585 and 1995 c 226 s 23 & 1991 c 315 s 21;
         ((\frac{16}{16})) (15) RCW 43.17.065 and 1995 c 226 s 24, 1993 c 280 s 37,
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         ((\frac{17}{17})) (16) RCW 43.20A.750 and 1995 c 226 s 25, 1993 c 280 s 38,
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        (((18))) (17) RCW 43.168.140 and 1995 c 226 s 28 & 1991 c 314 s 20;
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         ((\frac{19}{19})) (18) RCW 50.12.270 and 1995 c 226 s 30 & 1991 c 315 s 3;
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         ((\frac{20}{10})) (19) RCW 50.70.010 and 1995 c 226 s 31, 1992 c 21 s 1, &
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        ((\frac{(21)}{21})) (20) RCW 50.70.020 and 1995 c 226 s 32 & 1991 c 315 s 6.
        NEW SECTION. Sec. 42. RCW 43.31.651 and 1995 c 226 s 10, 1993 c
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    280 s 51, & 1991 c 314 s 9 are each repealed.
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23 EVALUATION

NEW SECTION. Sec. 43. REVIEW AND EVALUATION. The joint legislative audit and review committee shall design an evaluation mechanism for economically distressed counties under this act and undertake an evaluation of the act's effectiveness by November 1, 1999. The agencies implementing the programs under this act shall assist the joint legislative audit and review committee evaluation.

30 PART IX

31 MISCELLANEOUS

NEW SECTION. Sec. 44. If any part of this act is found to be in conflict with federal requirements that are a prescribed condition to the allocation of federal funds to the state, the conflicting part of

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- 1 this act is inoperative solely to the extent of the conflict and with
- 2 respect to the agencies directly affected, and this finding does not
- 3 affect the operation of the remainder of this act in its application to
- 4 the agencies concerned. The rules under this act shall meet federal
- 5 requirements that are a necessary condition to the receipt of federal
- 6 funds by the state.
- 7 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 45.** Section captions and part headings used in
- 8 this act are not any part of the law.
- 9 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 46.** Sections 3 through 6 of this act are each
- 10 added to chapter 43.31 RCW.
- 11 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 47.** If specific funding for the purposes of
- 12 this act, referencing this act by bill or chapter number, is not
- 13 provided by June 30, 1997, in the omnibus appropriations act, this act
- 14 is null and void.

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