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From Don Steinke

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Hello everyone,
I asked Chat GPT for an update of the status of the appeals process re Initiative 2066, which prohibits local jurisdictions from discouraging the use of fossil gas.
Chat said:

Where it stands now: Appeal & Supreme Court Review

- On **September 3, 2025**, the state's high court (Washington State Supreme Court) announced it would accept **direct review** of the I-2066 challenge, bypassing the usual intermediate appeals — meaning the court will consider the case "de novo" on its merits.
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- A **hearing date** has been set for **January 22, 2026**. [Washington Courts+1](#)
- Because the Supreme Court accepted direct review, the earlier lower-court decision is effectively stayed until the high court issues a ruling. That means **I-2066 is not legally effective** (i.e. its provisions

remain invalid) in the meantime. Many local governments and agencies are continuing to implement existing building codes, energy-policy measures, and clean-energy/ electrification policies.
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