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THE SUPREME COURT OF WASHINGTON

ARTHUR WEST, Appellant, v. STEVEN HOBBS, et al., Respondents.	)	No. 105644-3 **ORDER DENYING MOTION TO MODIFY COMMISSIONER RULING DENYING EMERGENCY INJUNCTION UNDER RAP 8.3** Thurston County Superior Court No. 26-2-04498-34

This case came before the Court at its September 3, 2026, En Banc Conference (Justice Montoya-Lewis not participating) to consider, on an expedited basis, the Appellant's amended motion to modify the Commissioner's ruling denying an injunction under RAP 8.3 prohibiting the Respondents from "certifying, transmitting, printing, or causing to be printed" the Public Investment Impact Disclosure required by RCW 29A.72.027 for Initiative Measure No 645. Justices Johnson, Gordon McCloud, Whitener, and Angelis voted to grant the motion to modify and issue an injunction pursuant to RAP 8.3. Chief Justice Stephens, and Justices González, Mungia, and Melody voted to deny the motion to modify.

Now, therefore, it is hereby

ORDERED:

Due to an equally divided Court, the Commissioner's ruling is not modified and the Appellant's motion to modify is therefore denied.

DATED at Olympia, Washington this 3rd day of September, 2026.

For the Court

CHIEF JUSTICE