

**WAC 110-03-0550 Board of appeals decision process.** (1) After the deadlines required in WAC 110-03-0540, the record on review is closed unless, upon the motion of a party, a review judge finds good cause to keep it open or to reopen the record.

(2) A review judge is assigned by the BOA to review the initial order after the record is closed. The review judge only considers evidence considered by the ALJ, unless the review judge has reopened the record pursuant to subsection (1) of this section.

(3) The review judge will decide the appeal without oral argument, unless the review judge determines that oral argument is necessary for resolution of the appeal.

(4) The review judge enters a final order that affirms, changes, dismisses, or reverses the initial order, or remands (returns) the case to the administrative law judge for further specified action.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 34.05.220, 43.216.020, and 43.216.065. WSR 20-02-031, § 110-03-0550, filed 12/19/19, effective 1/19/20.]