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Senator Wayne A. Harper proposes the following substitute bill:

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO CHANGE UTAH'S DESIGNATED TIME ZONE AND OBSERVANCE OF DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

2018 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Wayne A. Harper

House Sponsor: Norman K. Thurston

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This concurrent resolution of the Legislature and the Governor calls for an amendment to federal law to allow Utah to remain on mountain daylight time year-round and, in the alternative, the change of Utah's designated time zone ~~{and observance of daylight saving}~~ to central standard time.

Highlighted Provisions:

This resolution:

- ▶ urges Utah's congressional delegation to introduce legislation that amends federal law to allow states to remain on daylight saving time year-round;

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- ▶ urges the United States Congress to amend federal law to allow states to remain on daylight saving time year-round;
- ▶ intends, contingent on the passage of federal legislation, that Utah exempt the state from mountain standard time and remain on mountain daylight time year-round;
- ▶ directs the Utah Department of Transportation to create and submit an application to the United States Department of Transportation to change Utah's designated time zone from mountain standard time to central standard time;
- ▶ urges the United States Department of Transportation to approve the state's application to change the designated time zone; and
- ▶ intends, contingent on the approval of Utah's application for the state's transfer of designated time zone, that Utah opt out of daylight saving time and observe central standard time year-round.

Special Clauses:

None

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the state of Utah, the Governor concurring therein:

WHEREAS, the Uniform Time Act of 1966, 15 U.S.C. Sec. 261, divides the United States of America into multiple sections and designates a time zone for each section;

WHEREAS, under the Uniform Time Act of 1966, 15 U.S.C. Sec. 260(a), Utah has the authority to exempt the state from the provisions of daylight saving time to remain on mountain standard time year-round;

WHEREAS, under the Uniform Time Act of 1966, 15 U.S.C. Sec. 260(b), Utah is prohibited from exempting the state from standard time to remain on mountain daylight time year-round or moving the state to central standard time, the equivalent of mountain daylight time;

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Transportation is vested with the authority to designate the limits of each time zone and change the designated time zone of a state under the Uniform Time Act of 1966, 15 U.S.C. Sec. 261, if the change is in the "convenience of commerce";

WHEREAS, the Legislature and the Governor have determined that it is in the economic and commercial interest of the citizens of Utah to either exempt Utah from standard

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time to remain on mountain daylight time or change Utah's designated time zone from mountain standard time to central standard time and exempt the state from daylight saving time to remain on Central Standard Time year-round;

WHEREAS, Utah's exemption from standard time in the mountain time zone or the adoption of central standard time is in the interest of the United States;

WHEREAS, the exemption from standard time in the mountain time zone or the adoption of central standard time would increase, for one hour, daylight in the evening hours;

WHEREAS, one extra hour of daylight in the evening will reduce household and commercial energy use, reduce traffic accidents, increase commercial activity, and increase the tax base of Utah and the United States;

WHEREAS, the exemption from standard time in the mountain time zone or the adoption of central standard time would further provide for the "convenience of commerce," within that term's meaning in the Uniform Time Act of 1966, 15 U.S.C. Sec. 261; and

WHEREAS, if the United States Congress amends the Uniform Time Act of 1966, 15 U.S.C. Sec. 260, to allow states to choose to remain on daylight saving time year-round, the Legislature intends to enact legislation, in accordance with the amended federal law, that would exempt Utah from mountain standard time to remain on mountain daylight time year-round;
and

WHEREAS, ~~{upon adoption of central standard time}~~ if the United States Department of Transportation changes Utah's time zone designation to Central Standard Time, the Legislature intends to enact legislation, in accordance with the Uniform Time Act of 1966, 15 U.S.C. Sec. ~~{260a}~~ 260(a), that would exempt Utah from daylight saving time and allow the state to remain on central standard time year-round:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the state of Utah, the Governor concurring therein, urges Utah's congressional delegation to introduce legislation to amend the Uniform Time Act of 1966, 15 U.S.C. Sec. 260, to allow states to choose to remain on daylight saving time year-round.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon the passing of federal legislation to amend the Uniform Time Act of 1966, 15 U.S.C. Sec. 260, to allow states to choose to remain on daylight saving time year-round, Utah shall adopt and observe mountain daylight time year-round.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature ~~{of the state of Utah,}~~ and the Governor ~~{concurring therein,}~~ in the alternative, ~~{directs}~~ direct the Utah Department of Transportation to create an application before January 1, 2019, in accordance with the United States Department of Transportation's policies and procedures and 15 U.S.C. Sec. 261, to change the state of Utah's designated time zone from its current designation of mountain standard time to central standard time.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature and the Governor certify that the application to the United States Department of Transportation that ~~{is created}~~ the Utah Department of Transportation creates under the direction of this concurrent resolution is created and submitted with the approval of, and on behalf of, the Legislature and Governor of this state.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature and the Governor urge the United States Department of Transportation to approve Utah's application to change from the designation of mountain standard time to central standard time.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon approval of the application to the United States Department of Transportation, Utah shall adopt and observe central standard time.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Secretary of the United States Department of Transportation, the Executive Director of the Utah Department of Transportation, and the members of Utah's congressional delegation.

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