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2 93rd General Assembly
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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1017

4
5 By: Representative Rye

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT CONCERNING DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME; TO ADOPT
9 DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME PERMANENTLY; AND FOR OTHER
10 PURPOSES.

Subtitle

14 CONCERNING DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME; AND TO
15 ADOPT DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME PERMANENTLY.

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18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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20 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 1, Chapter 1, Subchapter 1, is amended
21 to add an additional section to read as follows:

22 1-1-104. Daylight Saving Time – Intent to adopt permanently when
23 permitted by federal law.

24 (a) The General Assembly intends to adopt Daylight Saving Time as the
25 permanent standard time of the State of Arkansas when the United States
26 Government allows states to observe Daylight Saving Time permanently under 15
27 U.S.C. § 260a.

28 (b)(1) The Secretary of State shall continually monitor action by the
29 United States Government and shall determine whether 15 U.S.C. § 260a has
30 been amended to allow states to observe Daylight Saving Time permanently.

31 (2) If the Secretary of State determines that 15 U.S.C. § 260a
32 has been amended to allow states to observe Daylight Saving Time permanently:

33 (A) The Secretary of State shall inform the Governor, the
34 Speaker of the House of Representatives, the President Pro Tempore of the
35 Senate, and the Director of the Bureau of Legislative Research within five
36 (5) business days of making a determination under this subsection; and



1 (B)(i) The state shall observe Daylight Saving Time
 2 permanently as the standard time in the State of Arkansas.

3 (ii) If the determination under this subsection is
 4 made on or after the second Sunday in March and before the first Sunday in
 5 November, the standard time of the state shall not change in November, and
 6 Daylight Saving Time is adopted permanently in the state.

7 (iii) If the determination under this section is
 8 made on or after the first Sunday in November and before the second Sunday in
 9 March, at 2:00 antemeridian on the second Sunday of March following the
 10 determination under this subsection, the standard time of the State of
 11 Arkansas shall be advanced one (1) hour and remain there permanently.

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