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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1568

5 By: Representative S. Meeks
6 By: Senator Irvin
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO OBSERVE STANDARD TIME YEAR ROUND IN
10 ARKANSAS; TO ELIMINATE DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME IN
11 ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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15 ROUND IN ARKANSAS; AND TO ELIMINATE
16 DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME IN ARKANSAS.
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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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22 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 1, Chapter 1, Subchapter 1, is amended
23 to add an additional section to read as follows:

24 1-1-104. Observation of standard time.

25 (a) The State of Arkansas, acting under the exemption provision of the
26 Uniform Time Act of 1966, 15 U.S.C. § 260a(a), is exempt from the provisions
27 of that law that establish daylight saving time.

28 (b) The standard time in Arkansas shall be the solar time of the
29 ninetieth meridian west of Greenwich, commonly known as central standard
30 time.

31 (c) This section shall not be construed to affect the standard time
32 established by United States law governing the movements of common carriers
33 engaged in interstate commerce or the time for performance of an act by an
34 officer or department of the United States, as established by statute, lawful
35 order, rule, or regulation of the United States or an agency of the United
36 States.



1 (d) If it may be reasonably accommodated, state employees shall be
2 provided the ability to adjust their work schedule one (1) hour earlier to a
3 time that corresponds with daylight saving time during the portion of the
4 year when other states observe daylight saving time.

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