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Dear Members of the committee:

I am writing to you in regard to the Senate Bill 320. Before you make a permanent change of our daylight saving time, please extensively consult people in the computer industry and the industries that rely on time control devices in their operation. A couple industries come to mind like the airline, transportation, manufacturing industries. Will they need to upgrade their equipment, software, redo their schedule or reprint a lot of information including menu of any kind and so on? Have you consider^{ed} the cost of doing all the above? What if they do not work and shut down the operation and general function of operation of a company or related business? Do not forget the Y2K change that costed a lot of money to synchronize all computers. For safety reason, if you let drivers to get up early in the winter time like summer time, they may not be fully awake driving in the dark. That will increase traffic fatalities and cost more money dealing with those issues.

Please do more research and work with other states that are considering the same topic. Do not vote on it on the emotional level, vote on it on the financial and objective level.

Thank you for your wise decision.

Cc: The news relate to the above opinion on the back of this page

Oregonians are closer to not having to switch their clocks twice a year. The state Senate on Thursday approved a bill that would potentially establish year-round daylight saving time.

The 23-4 vote on Senate Bill 320 sends the measure to the Oregon House.

The bill enjoyed broad support from both Republicans and Democrats. Sen. Kim Thatcher, R-Keizer, noted that bi-partisan support for abolishing the semi-annual time change extends beyond the state Capitol.