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On Behalf Of:
Committee: Senate Committee On Rules
Measure: SB1090

Please listen to your constituents and pass SB 1090. While I can understand some initial questions and concerns raised by the committee members regarding Oregon potentially being on different “clock” than our neighbor states for part of the year, surely Oregonians are at least as capable as the citizens of the other states and territories who have opted to remain on standard time. Other states and territories have proven capable of calculating time differences and making those adjustments, just as we do when we are scheduling calls or meetings with others in different time zones. Surely, the quick math associated with identifying time differences with neighboring states is worth it, especially when the documented health and safety benefits far outweigh the limited inconvenience.

Oregon prides itself in being a trailblazer. Washington and California are waiting for Oregon to make the first move so they can follow suit. Please don't short-change us by again putting us in the queue of those waiting for someone else to address this easily fixed physical health, mental health, and public safety issue.

If nothing else, you could amend the bill to delay implementation to allow Washington and California, who are afraid to be the one to take the first step, to catch up with Oregon during their next legislative session.

Thank you for your consideration.