

By: Senator(s) Blackwell, McMahan, McLendon, Carter, Parks, Younger, Doty, Tate, Johnson, Caughman, Whaley, McDaniel To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 562

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE INTENT OF THE
2 MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE THAT DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME SHALL BE THE
3 YEAR-ROUND STANDARD TIME OF THE ENTIRE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI AND
4 ITS POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS.

5 WHEREAS, when Congress enacted The Emergency Daylight Saving
6 Time Energy Conservation Act of 1973, it included in its findings
7 and declarations of policy that "various studies of governmental
8 and nongovernmental agencies indicate that year-round daylight
9 saving time would produce an energy saving in electrical power
10 consumption"; and

11 WHEREAS, Congress also found and declared that "the use of
12 year-round daylight saving time could have other beneficial
13 effects on the public interest, including the reduction of crime,
14 improved traffic safety, more daylight outdoor playtime for
15 children and youth of our nation, [and] greater utilization of
16 parks and recreation areas"; and

17 WHEREAS, Congress further found and declared that the use of
18 year-round daylight saving time could result in "expanded economic
19 opportunity through extension of daylight hours to peak shopping



20 hours and through extension of domestic office hours to periods of
21 greater overlap with the European Economic Community"; and

22 WHEREAS, the principles listed above are still applicable to
23 this day, and by allowing the individual states the choice to
24 establish daylight saving time as the standard time, today's
25 Congress will allow such states to enjoy the benefits that
26 Congress found so compelling as to enshrine in law:

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
28 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN,
29 That:

30 (1) If the United States Congress amends 15 USC Section
31 260(a) to authorize states to observe daylight saving time
32 year-round, it is the intent of the Legislature that daylight
33 saving time shall be the year-round standard time of the entire
34 State of Mississippi and all of its political subdivisions.

35 (2) This resolution shall be known and may be cited as the
36 "Mississippi Daylight Protection Resolution."

37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution shall be
38 transmitted by the Governor to the President of the United States
39 and to members of Mississippi's congressional delegation and made
40 available to the Capitol Press Corps.

