In Senate
January 13, 2020

Introduced by Sen. LITTLE -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Judiciary

AN ACT to amend the general construction law and the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to making daylight saving time the permanent standard time of the state and city of New York

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1. Section 1. Section 52 of the general construction law, as amended by chapter 377 of the laws of 1955, is amended to read as follows:

§ 52. Time standard. The standard time throughout this state is that of the seventy-fifth meridian of longitude west from Greenwich, except as hereinafter provided, and all courts and public officers, and legal and official proceedings, shall be regulated thereby.

2. At notwithstanding how time is advanced pursuant to the federal uniform time act of 1966, 15 U.S.C. §260a, at two o'clock ante meridian on the last Sunday in April of each year, March fourteenth, two thousand twenty, the standard time throughout this state shall be advanced one hour from that of the seventy-fifth meridian of longitude west from Greenwich, and the time so advanced shall continue to be the standard time throughout this state until the last Sunday in October of the same year, when such standard time, as so advanced, shall be retarded to that of the seventy-fifth meridian west from Greenwich; and during such period in each year, all courts and public officers, and legal and official proceedings, shall be regulated in accordance therewith.

§ 2. Section 2-106 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended to read as follows:

§ 2-106 Daylight saving time permanent city standard; effect thereof on public proceedings. The standard time throughout the city of New York is that of the seventy-fifth meridian of longitude west from Greenwich, except that notwithstanding how time is advanced pursuant to the federal uniform time act of 1966, 15 U.S.C. §260a, at two o'clock ante-meridian of the last Sunday in April of each year such, March.

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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fourteenth, two thousand twenty, the standard time throughout the city shall be advanced one hour[, and at two o’clock ante meridian of the last Sunday in October of each year, such standard time shall, by the retarding of one hour, be returned to the mean astronomical time of the seventy-fifth meridian of longitude west from Greenwich,] from that of the seventy-fifth meridian of longitude west from Greenwich, and the time so advanced shall continue to be the year-round standard time throughout this city; and all courts, public offices and legal and official proceedings shall be regulated thereby.

§ 3. This act shall take effect upon the enactment into law by nineteen states of the United States, other than this state, of legislation having an identical effect with this act, but if such other nineteen states shall have already enacted such legislation, then it shall take effect immediately; and provided that the commissioner of general services shall notify the legislative bill drafting commission upon the occurrence of the enactment of the legislation provided for in this act by such states in order that the commission may maintain an accurate and timely effective data base of the official text of the laws of the state of New York in furtherance of effecting the provisions of section 44 of the legislative law and section 70-b of the public officers law.