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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. SKOUFIS -- 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 observing Atlantic time

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

Section 1. The secretary of state shall develop and submit an application to the federal government requesting that the state observe the Atlantic Time Zone.

§ 2. 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. 1. The standard time throughout this state is that of the [~~seventy-fifth~~] **sixtieth** 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 two o'clock ante meridian on the [~~last~~] **second** Sunday in [~~April~~] **March** of each year the standard time throughout this state shall be advanced one hour from that of the [~~seventy-fifth~~] **sixtieth** meridian of longitude west from Greenwich, and the time so advanced shall continue to be standard time throughout this state until the [~~last~~] **first** Sunday in [~~October~~] **November** of the same year, when such standard time, as so advanced, shall be retarded to that of the [~~seventy-fifth~~] **sixtieth** 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.

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

§ 2-106 Daylight saving time; effect thereof on public proceedings. The standard time throughout the city of New York is that of the [~~seventy-fifth~~] **sixtieth** meridian of longitude west from Greenwich, except

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

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that at two o'clock ante-meridian of the [~~last~~] **second** Sunday in [~~April~~] **March** of each year such standard time throughout the city shall be advanced one hour, and at two o'clock ante-meridian of the [~~last~~] **first** Sunday in [~~October~~] **November** of each year, such standard time shall, by the retarding of one hour, be returned to the mean astronomical time of the [~~seventy-fifth~~] **sixtieth** meridian of longitude west from Greenwich, and all courts, public offices and legal and official proceedings shall be regulated thereby.

§ 4. This act shall take effect immediately; provided, however, that section one of this act shall take effect upon the enactment into law by the states of Connecticut, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania of legislation having an identical effect with this act, but if the states of Connecticut, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania shall have already enacted such legislation, section one of this act shall take effect immediately; provided further, however, that sections two and three of this act shall take effect at two o'clock ante meridian on the first Sunday of November next succeeding the approval of an application by the state to the federal government requesting that the state observe the Atlantic Time Zone; provided that the secretary of state shall notify the legislative bill drafting commission upon the occurrence of the enactment of the legislation provided for in section one of this act and upon the occurrence of the approval of the application to the federal government requesting that the state observe the Atlantic Time Zone 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 effectuating the provisions of section 44 of the legislative law and section 70-b of the public officers law.