

STATE OF NEW YORK

10571

IN ASSEMBLY

March 13, 2026

Introduced by M. of A. SANTABARBARA -- read once and referred to the
Committee on Governmental Operations

AN ACT to amend the general construction law and the administrative code
of the city of New York, in relation to establishing daylight saving
time as the year-round standard time in the state and in the city of
New York

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

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

3 § 52. Time, standard. [~~1.~~] The standard time throughout this state is
4 [~~that of the seventy-fifth meridian of longitude west from Greenwich,~~
5 ~~except as hereinafter provided, and all courts and public officers, and~~
6 ~~legal and official proceedings, shall be regulated thereby.~~

7 ~~2. At two o'clock ante meridian on the last Sunday in April of each~~
8 ~~year the standard time throughout this state shall be advanced one hour~~
9 ~~from that of the seventy-fifth meridian of longitude west from Green-~~
10 ~~wich, and the time so advanced shall continue to be standard time~~
11 ~~throughout this state until the last Sunday in October of the same year,~~
12 ~~when such standard time, as so advanced, shall be retarded to that of~~
13 ~~the seventy-fifth meridian west from Greenwich, and during such period~~
14 ~~in each year all courts and public officers, and legal and official~~
15 ~~proceedings, shall be regulated in accordance therewith] the time as
16 determined by 15 USC sections 260 to 267, except that the state observes
17 year-round the provisions of 15 USC 260a providing for the advancement
18 of time, commonly known as eastern daylight saving time if federal law
19 permits the year-round observation of eastern daylight time.~~

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

22 § 2-106 Daylight saving time; effect thereof on public proceedings.
23 The standard time throughout the city of New York is [~~that of the seven-~~
24 ~~ty-fifth meridian of longitude west from Greenwich, except that at two~~
25 ~~o'clock ante-meridian of the last Sunday in April of each year such~~
26 ~~standard time throughout the city shall be advanced one hour, and at two~~

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

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~~1 o'clock ante meridian of the last Sunday in October of each year, such~~
~~2 standard time shall, by the retarding of one hour, be returned to the~~
~~3 mean astronomical time of the seventy fifth meridian of longitude west~~
~~4 from Greenwich, and all courts, public offices and legal and official~~
~~5 proceedings shall be regulated thereby] the time as determined by 15 USC~~
~~6 sections 260 to 267, except that the city observes year-round the~~
~~7 provisions of 15 USC 260a providing for the advancement of time, common-~~
~~8 ly known as eastern daylight saving time if federal law permits the~~
~~9 year-round observation of eastern daylight time.~~

10 § 3. This act shall take effect upon the enactment into law by the
11 states of Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut, New Jersey, and Pennsyl-
12 vania of legislation having an identical effect with this act, but if
13 the states of Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut, New Jersey, and Penn-
14 sylvania shall have already enacted such legislation, section one of
15 this act shall take effect immediately; provided that the secretary of
16 state shall notify the legislative bill drafting commission upon the
17 occurrence of the enactment of the legislation provided for in section
18 one of this act in order that the commission may maintain an accurate
19 and timely effective data base of the official text of the laws of the
20 state of New York in furtherance of effectuating the provisions of
21 section 44 of the legislative law and section 70-b of the public offi-
22 cers law.