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#DitchTheSwitch passes House with bipartisan support ***Reps. Lively and Post lead charge for year-round Daylight Saving Time***

SALEM, Ore.—The “Ditch The Switch” effort to make Daylight Saving Time year-round has support from Democrat Gov. Kate Brown to President Donald Trump. At the federal level Sens. Marco Rubio, R-Fla., Ron Wyden, D-Ore., and Patty Murray, D-Wa., are sponsoring a similar proposal to Senate Bill 320 which passed the House of Representatives 38 to 19.

State Reps. John Lively, D-Springfield, and Bill Post, R-Keizer, co-sponsored SB 320, which comes after years of working with constituents and colleagues in Oregon and other informed states. Senate Joint Memorial 6 also passed the House 41 to 16, which urges Congress to allow states to pass year-round Daylight Saving Time.

The West Coast states are attempting to move forward together to #DitchTheSwitch. California’s effort is still in process, after passing the Assembly 72-0 and going to the Senate soon, and Washington’s bill was signed into law by Gov. Jay Inslee.

Post made the following statement:

“Ditching the switch is a tremendous bipartisan push and we are grateful for everyone’s work in the Legislature to make this possible. We are working with a coalition of states along the West Coast and even British Columbia. We are looking forward to Gov. Kate Brown signing Senate Bill 320 into law so we can stop switching our clocks. And I especially want to thank Rep. John Lively who was continuously persistent in getting these two pieces of legislation, I really appreciated learning from him.”

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