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**#DitchTheSwitch passes House
*SB 320 heads to governor to sign***

SALEM, Ore.—The “Ditch The Switch” effort to make Daylight Saving Time year-round has support from President Donald Trump, Sens. Marco Rubio, R-Fla., Ron Wyden, D-Ore., and Patty Murray, D-Wa., Gov. Kate Brown and state Sen. Kim Thatcher, R-Keizer. Senate Bill 320 passed the House of Representatives 38 to 19.

Thatcher sponsored SB 320, which comes after years of working with constituents and colleagues in Oregon and other informed states. She previously tried to pass year-round Standard Time, but the public pushed back favoring Daylight Saving Time. 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 Washington’s bill was signed by Gov. Jay Inslee.

Thatcher released the following statement:

“Oregonians are looking forward to the governor signing this bill into law. The West Coast states need to stick together on the ditching the switch. Our effort to #DitchTheSwitch has a majority of the public’s support and approval from members of both sides of the aisle and it is a matter of commerce and public services.”

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