

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD

TWO THOUSAND NINETEEN

H.P. 659 - L.D. 885

**An Act To Adopt Eastern Daylight Time Year-round**

**Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

**Sec. 1. 1 MRSA §151**, as repealed and replaced by PL 2007, c. 129, §1, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

**§151. Standard time**

**1. Standard time.** The standard time for the State is the time as determined by 15 United States Code, Sections 260 to 267 except that the standard time year-round for the State is the time commonly known as eastern daylight time or eastern daylight saving time, referred to in this section as eastern daylight time, if:

A. Federal law permits the year-round observation of eastern daylight time; and

B. All the states in the eastern time zone and the District of Columbia observe eastern daylight time year-round.

**2. Secretary of State to monitor and provide public notice.** The Secretary of State shall monitor whether the conditions under subsection 1, paragraphs A and B have been met and provide public notice when each has been met. When both conditions under subsection 1, paragraphs A and B have been met, the Secretary of State shall issue a public notice announcing the effective date of year-round eastern daylight time as established in subsection 3.

**3. Effective date.** Year-round eastern daylight time is effective immediately upon the fulfillment of both conditions in subsection 1, paragraphs A and B if the State is observing eastern daylight time on the date both conditions are met. Year-round eastern daylight time is effective on the next start date of eastern daylight time after both conditions in subsection 1, paragraphs A and B have been met if the State is not observing eastern daylight time on the date both of the conditions are met.