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I support SB 1548 – making standard time permanent.

The current way we change time is very disruptive and we all just hate having to change our clocks and adjust our entire life schedules twice every year. I don't want to change my clock anymore. That being said, I also do not want to be on Daylight Savings Time all the time. If we stayed on Daylight savings time, in December and January it would not get light out in the morning until almost 9 am. That would be so unsafe for all our kids that would have to walk to the bus/school in the dark. It would also be hazardous for more people who would then have to drive to work in the morning in the dark.

I get that making the change would be difficult for those on the border; however, if we did this, others would surely follow quickly. People across the country have wanted to stop changing clocks for decades. If we are brave and take that first step, it will make life better for so many people. Other states deal with the time difference around their borders successfully. Why can't we? Oregonians are not stupid and can handle this.

To sum up, I am tired of changing my clocks twice a year as we currently do. If we were to go to all Daylight Savings time, it would not get light out until almost 9 am in December and January jeopardizing people's safety. If we say on Standard Time, it does not put anyone's safety in jeopardy.