

To: Sen. Committee on Veterans, EM, Fed and World Affairs
From: Aileen Kaye
Date: 3-5-25
Re: "No" on SB 566--Addendum

Dear Chair Manning, Vice Chair Thatcher, and members of the Committee:

I turned in testimony to you for yesterday's hearing since I could not attend in person.

I watched the hearing last night and was very disturbed that Mr. Pea (he is not even a resident of Oregon) failed to disclose to you the following update at the federal level:

*A recent bi-partisan effort by the US Senate **for permanent DST:***

*U.S. Senators Patty Murray (D-Wash.) and Rick Scott (R-Fla.) reintroduced the Sunshine Protection Act on **Jan. 8, 2025**, bringing back the proposal to end the time changes. **Permanent Daylight Saving Time would become the standard across the country.***

The legislation is supported by the following senators:

- *Tommy Tuberville (R-Ala.)*
- *Rand Paul (R-Kan.)*
- *Ron Wyden (D-Ore.)*
- *Bill Hagerty (R-Tenn.)*
- *Cynthia Lummis (R-Wyo.)*
- *Ed Markey (D-Mass.)*
- *Sheldon Whitehouse (D-R.I.)*
- *James Lankford (R-Okla.)*
- *Martin Heinrich (D-N.M.)*
- *Alex Padilla (D-Calif.)*
- *Brian Schatz (D-Hawai'i)*
- *Tina Smith (D-Minn.)*
- *Katie Britt (R-Ala.)*

"Every year, more Americans grow more frustrated setting their clocks back and forth, and every winter folks in Washington state despair at the prospect of losing an hour of precious sunlight when we are forced off Daylight Saving Time," Senator Murray stated in a press release. "This is about public health, it is about our economy, and it's about just putting a little more light in families' lives so they can spend time together, outdoors, in the sunshine."

Murray referenced the strong bipartisan support across the country for permanent Daylight Saving Time, and said she'll work with anyone she can to update the federal law.

Please vote "no" on these SB 566 and SB 1038. Thank you.