HOUSE BILL No. 1151

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 1-1-8.1-0.5.

Synopsis: Time observance in Indiana. Exempts Indiana from daylight

saving time.

Effective: July 1, 2026.

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January 5, 2026, read first time and referred to Committee on Public Policy.



Second Regular Session of the 124th General Assembly (2026)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in this style type, and deletions will appear in this style type.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or *this style type* reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2025 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning general provisions.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1	SECTION 1. IC 1-1-8.1-0.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2	AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
3	1, 2026]: Sec. 0.5. (a) The state, acting under the exemption
4	provision of the Uniform Time Act of 1966 (15 U.S.C. 260a(a)), is
5	exempt from the federal provisions that establish daylight saving
6	time.
7	(b) The governor and the general assembly hereby petition the
8	United States Department of Transportation to initiate proceedings
9	under the Uniform Time Act of 1966 to move the entire state to
10	central standard time.
11	(c) The standard times within the state shall be the time known
12	and designated by the Uniform Time Act of 1966 as central
13	standard time.
14	(d) A state department or agency, or any county, city, or other
15	political subdivision, may not employ any other time or adopt any
16	(1) statute;
17	(2) ordinance; or



1	(3) order;
2	providing for daylight saving time.
3	SECTION 2. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026] (a) To implemen
4	IC 1-1-8.1-0.5, as added by this act, the governor shall, not late
5	than ten (10) days after the governor files this act with th
6	secretary of state, send a copy of this act along with any othe
7	necessary documentation prescribed by the United State
8	Department of Transportation to the appropriate official of th
9	United States Department of Transportation.
10	(b) This SECTION expires January 1, 2027.

