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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate	.	House
Comm: RCS	.	
02/15/2018	.	
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The Committee on Community Affairs (Steube) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause
and insert:

Section 1. (1) This section may be cited as the "Sunshine Protection Act."

(2) If the United States Congress amends 15 U.S.C. s. 260a to authorize states to observe daylight saving time year-round, it is the intent of the Legislature that daylight saving time shall be the year-round standard time of the entire state and



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11 all of its political subdivisions.

12 Section 2. As soon as practicable after this act becomes a
13 law, the Legislature of the State of Florida shall submit a
14 request to the Secretary of the United States Department of
15 Transportation to initiate rulemaking to redesignate those
16 portions of Florida that currently lie within the Central Time
17 Zone to the Eastern Time Zone. The request must include a formal
18 certification, contact information, and any supporting
19 documentation demonstrating that moving the entire state of
20 Florida into one time zone would serve the convenience of
21 commerce.

22 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018.

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25 And the title is amended as follows:

26 Delete everything before the enacting clause
27 and insert:

28 A bill to be entitled
29 An act relating to time observances; providing a short
30 title; providing legislative intent regarding the
31 State of Florida and its political subdivisions
32 observing daylight saving time year-round under
33 certain conditions; directing the Legislature to
34 submit a request to the Secretary of the United States
35 Department of Transportation to redesignate portions
36 of the state in the Central Time Zone into the Eastern
37 Time Zone; specifying requirements for the request;
38 providing an effective date.

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40 WHEREAS, the State of Florida is known as the "Sunshine
41 State," and

42 WHEREAS, as the "Sunshine State," Florida should be kept
43 sunny year-round, NOW, THEREFORE,