

HOUSE BILL NO. 1259

Introduced by

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Senator Magrum

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 1-08 of the North Dakota Century
2 Code, relating to requiring the state to observe standard time year round; and to repeal section
3 40-01-20 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to daylight saving time.

4 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

5 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 1-08 of the North Dakota Century Code is created
6 and enacted as follows:

7 **Year-round observance of standard time.**

8 1. Under 15 U.S.C. 260(a), the state and all political subdivisions of the state are exempt
9 from the establishment of daylight saving time and must observe standard time year
10 round.

11 2. The official standard time for the portion of the state in the central time zone is five
12 hours slower than Greenwich time, based on the mean solar time of the one hundred
13 and fiftieth degree of longitude west from Greenwich.

14 3. The official standard time for the portion of the state in the mountain time zone is six
15 hours slower than Greenwich time, based on the mean solar time of the one hundred
16 and fiftieth degree of longitude west from Greenwich.

17 4. This section may not affect the standard time established by United States law
18 governing the movements of common carriers engaged in interstate commerce or the
19 time for performance of an act by an officer or department of the United States, as
20 established by a statute, lawful order, rule, or regulation of the United States or an
21 agency of the United States.

22 **SECTION 2. REPEAL.** Section 40-01-20 of the North Dakota Century Code is repealed.