

This Bill HB 1259 is a clear and present danger

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If this bill passes in the spring when everyone springs forward will be the same time (expect the Dickinson Bowman area) as Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, New Mexico parts of South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas Utah and parts of Idaho and Oregon yes Oregon a west coast state.

1. Trains we have two major railroad BNSF Burlington Northern Santa Fe railroad and the CPKC Canadian Pacific Kansas City railroad. There is a sign behind the Minot public library that say for west bound train on the BNSF Burlington Northern Santa Fe railroad line that says (SOO TOWER BEGAIN MOUNTAIN TIME). Now I know were not changing time zones but the time will be the same in Montana from March to November but will switch back 1 hour in the fall November to March. My grandpa worked for BNSF and I know a few people that worked for BNSF and they told me it a sometimes a bear cat to let the BNSF dispatcher which is located in Fort Worth Texas. They have to tell them the time difference at soo tower heading west. Crew hour's paperwork and more. But now look at Bismarck heading west when they reach the Dickinson area they have to go back one hour and then when they cross into Montana they have to go 1 hour forward. I think that the major railroads should have had some input on what will go on with operations if this bill passes.
2. Airlines same thing we have about 5 major airlines in the state. Minot and Bismarck have a 5AM flight to Minneapolis now if this bill passes right now today if its 5AM in Minot and Bismarck its 6AM in Minneapolis so but the time the plane arrives it going to be 7:30 7:50. I fly we have to make a connection flight also and sometimes we have about 45 to just over hour to make your connection. So I believe the airline will have to adjust their schedule for the months of March to November possibly a 4AM flight. I also think the Denver would have to adjust as well. I think that the major airlines also should have had some input on what will go on with operations if this bill passes.
3. The biggest thing is in Grand Forks/East Grand Forks, FM Area and Wahpeton/Breckenridge. For an example if I owned a delivery business that is based in Fargo and we operate 8AM to 5PM North Dakota time. Now when everyone springs forward for the next 10 months. I get a call at 7:20AM from a business in Moorhead asking where is our delivery and telling me its 8:20AM but in Fargo it 7:20AM. Now I have to change my delivery schedule to accommodate the people in the Moorhead area and hiring more staff or extending hours just for the 10 months and switching back. Then also if a business in Moorhead that needed a part in Fargo in the morning for an emergency repair there going to have to wait until that business opens up. Also FEDEX, UPS and DHL are going to have to maybe adjust their delivery schedule as well. I know of one delivery business in Minot that he told me there semi-truck goes to Minnesota to a distribution center now they're going to have to leave Minot 1 hour earlier to keep their schedule delivery. Also business and companies in this USA and worldwide will have to adjust to our new standard.

4. There a saying two season winter and road construction in North Dakota. Now if this bill passes the construction will have less light in the evening to work. If this bill passes nautical twilight will be 3:03AM instead of 4:02AM Civil twilight 4:02AM instead of 5:02am and then sunrise 4:44AM instead of 5:44AM and sunset 8:49PM instead of 9:49PM and this is on June 21 the longest day. So Construction crew can't start sometimes until 7 or 8am depending on laws of the city or state so you already lost hours of daylight.
5. Now again with Grand Forks/East Grand Forks, FM Area and Wahpeton/Breckenridge when the bars close in Minnesota at 1AM there going to come over to North Dakota since it only 12 midnight and drink and have a good time for 2 more hours and head back over Minnesota. That is a recipe for a disaster (increases in DUIs and crashes).
6. We cherish our time in the summer the extra hour to go fish, go to the lake, golf, hunt and all recreation activity's kids are in school from end of August to end of May that only giving them 3 months to enjoy outside with their friends. My parents always said with the sun go down come home. Now kids will have to be in 7:10PM in August that is the time if this bill pass will be. Just the sun rise at 4:44AM most city have a curfew for kids underage so they will waste 4AM, 5AM 6AM.
7. All Business, cell phone companies, 911 centers, hospitals and everything that uses time to do business will have to send money to make sure standard time is permeant.
8. Finally all North Dakota citizens in this room and in the state even our Governor Armstrong we need to send a message to our US Senators Kevin Cramer and John Hoeven and US representative Julie Fedorchak and tell them to get congress to pass the sunshine protection act of 2025. There two bill H.R 139 and S. 29 theses are bills to make daylight saving time permeant standard time in the United State of America.

I request a DO NOT PASS on house bill.

Thank You

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