

108TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 4015

To expand the applicability of daylight saving time.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 23, 2004

Mr. ROTHMAN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Energy and Commerce

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Halloween Safety Act
5 of 2004”.

6 **SEC. 2. DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME EXTENDED TO FIRST**
7 **WEEK IN NOVEMBER.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 3(a) of the Uniform Time
9 Act of 1966 (15 U.S.C. 260a(a)) is amended by striking
10 “last Sunday of October” and inserting “first Sunday of
11 November”.

1 (b) EFFECT ON EXISTING STATE ELECTIONS.—Any
2 law in effect on the date of the enactment of this Act
3 which is—

4 (1) adopted pursuant to section 3(a)(2) of the
5 Uniform Time Act of 1966 by a State with parts
6 thereof in more than one time zone; or

7 (2) adopted pursuant to section 3(a)(1) of such
8 Act by a State that lies entirely within one time
9 zone,

10 shall be held and considered to remain in effect as the
11 exercise by that State of the exemption permitted by such
12 Act unless that State, by law, provides that such exemp-
13 tion shall not apply.

14 (c) ADJUSTMENT OF OPERATING HOURS OF DAY-
15 TIME BROADCASTERS.—(1) Notwithstanding any other
16 provision of law or any regulation issued under law, the
17 Federal Communications Commission shall, consistent
18 with any existing treaty or other agreement, make such
19 adjustment by general rules, or by interim action pending
20 such general rules, with respect to hours of operation of
21 daytime standard amplitude modulation broadcast sta-
22 tions as may be consistent with the public interest in re-
23 ceiving interference-free service.

24 (2) The general rules, or interim action, undertaken
25 under paragraph (1) may include variances with respect

1 to operating power and other technical operating charac-
2 teristics.

3 (3) At any time after the adoption of general rules
4 under paragraph (1), the general rules may be varied with
5 respect to particular stations and areas because of the ex-
6 igencies in each case.

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