

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

C.S.H.B. 150  
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Government Transparency & Operation  
Committee Report (Substituted)

### **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**

Interested parties assert that in the 21st century, daylight saving time has become more burdensome than beneficial to many Texans. Additionally, the parties report that some parents are deeply concerned about taking their children to a bus stop when it is dark outside and often have difficulty putting their children to bed while it is still light outside. Moreover, the parties suggest that commerce today tends to move in the early morning hours, and daylight would help improve safety and enhance potential economic output. C.S.H.B. 150 seeks to address these concerns.

### **CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT**

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

### **ANALYSIS**

C.S.H.B. 150 amends the Government Code to exempt the State of Texas from provisions of the federal Uniform Time Act of 1966 establishing daylight saving time.

### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

November 1, 2015.

### **COMPARISON OF ORIGINAL AND SUBSTITUTE**

While C.S.H.B. 150 may differ from the original in minor or nonsubstantive ways, the following comparison is organized and formatted in a manner that indicates the substantial differences between the introduced and committee substitute versions of the bill.

| <b>INTRODUCED</b>  | <b>HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE</b>                        |
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| SECTION 1. Section 312.016, Government Code, is amended. | SECTION 1. Section 312.016, Government Code, is amended. |

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SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect November 1, 2015, to coincide with the end of daylight saving time for 2015.

No equivalent provision. (*But see SECTION 2 above.*)