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**HOUSE BILL NO. 2739**

Offered January 17, 2025

*A BILL to amend and reenact § 1-253 of the Code of Virginia, relating to time zone; permanent standard time in Virginia.*

Patron—Freitas

Referred to Committee on Rules

**Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

**1. That § 1-253 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

**§ 1-253. Time zone.**

The United States Eastern Standard Time shall be in effect in all parts of the Commonwealth ~~except during the period when the~~ *at all times. The Commonwealth, and all political subdivisions thereof, shall not observe United States Eastern Daylight Time shall be in effect as provided by federal law and shall be exempt from the Daylight Time provision of the federal Uniform Time Act of 1966 (15 U.S.C. § 260a(a)).* This section shall not be construed to be in contravention of (i) federal law; ~~or~~; (ii) duly authorized orders of the ~~United States~~ U.S. Secretary of Transportation with respect to the time zones of the United States and the application of standard time to interstate commerce and other matters within such zones; *or (iii) the time for performance of an act by an officer or department of the United States as established by statute, order, rule, or regulation of the United States or an agency thereof.*

In all laws, statutes, orders, decrees, rules, and regulations relating to the time of performance of any act by any officer or agency of the Commonwealth, or any political subdivision thereof, or relating to the time in which any rights shall accrue or determine, or within which any act shall or shall not be performed by any person subject to the jurisdiction of the Commonwealth, and in all public schools, institutions of the Commonwealth or its political subdivisions, and contracts or choses in action made or to be performed in the Commonwealth, it shall be understood and intended that the time applicable thereto or referred to or implied therein shall be the United States Eastern Standard Time; ~~or the United States Eastern Daylight Time, when and during such is in effect.~~

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