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Intro: Madame Chair, Members of the Committee, thank you for taking my testimony. My name is Kathleen Flynn, I am testifying on my behalf. I also co-chair the environmental action group of APA in Arvada where I live.

Thank you for taking my testimony.

I agree that changing clocks twice a year is an unnecessary exercise and costly for businesses, especially transportation and delivery operations.

From an environmental point of view, having Daylight time year round is a disaster and will only add to our climate change problems

Colorado gets hot in the summer and each year the temperatures are increasing. With our dry air, we usually cool off nicely in the evening, but only if the sun sets when its supposed to – around 8 PM. Another hour of daylight means less cooling before most people go to bed, and necessitates at least another hour of running A/C.

In the winter, changing the clocks to an hour later is even worse. Most people get up before 7 AM to prepare for their days and with standard time, there's enough light in the house to eliminate the need for lighting. However if the sun doesn't come up until the clock shows 8 AM then one would need lights and probably more heat before leaving the house.

You might think that an hour of lighting or an hour of A/C isn't much, but multiply that by 3 million Colorado households and it has a huge negative impact on our environment because of the additional energy use.

When the sundial points to 12, the sun is directly overhead. I think that is a logical place to be and I urge that we stay on standard, real, sun time year round.

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