



General Assembly

February Session, 2020

**Raised Bill No. 5408**

LCO No. 1690



Referred to Committee on GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION  
AND ELECTIONS

Introduced by:  
(GAE)

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE ADOPTION OF ATLANTIC STANDARD  
TIME.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General  
Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 1-6 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2020*):

3 [The] (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, the  
4 standard of time for the seventy-fifth meridian west of Greenwich shall  
5 be the standard of time for this state, except that the standard of time of  
6 this state shall be one hour in advance of such established time from two  
7 o'clock ante meridian on the second Sunday in March until two o'clock  
8 ante meridian on the first Sunday in November.

9 (b) Upon the enactment of legislation in the states of Massachusetts,  
10 Rhode Island and New York adopting Atlantic standard time, the  
11 Governor of this state shall forthwith apply to the United States  
12 Secretary of Transportation to change the standard of time for this state  
13 to Atlantic standard time. If such application is approved by the  
14 secretary, the standard of time for this state shall be Atlantic standard

15 time.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>October 1, 2020</i>	1-6
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**Statement of Purpose:**

To require the state to adopt Atlantic Standard time upon the enactment of legislation in Massachusetts, Rhode Island and New York adopting said time and federal approval of such change.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*