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**CONFORMS CALIFORNIA DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME TO FEDERAL LAW.  
ALLOWS LEGISLATURE TO CHANGE DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME PERIOD.  
LEGISLATIVE STATUTE.**

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**OFFICIAL TITLE AND SUMMARY**

 PREPARED BY THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
 

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The text of this measure can be found on the Secretary of State's website at <http://voterguide.sos.ca.gov>.

- Establishes the time zone designated by federal law as “Pacific standard time” as the standard time within California.
- Provides that California daylight saving time begins at 2 a.m. on the second Sunday of March and ends at 2 a.m. on the first Sunday of November, consistent with current federal law.
- Permits the Legislature by two-thirds vote to make future changes to California's daylight saving

time period, including for its year-round application, if changes are consistent with federal law.

**SUMMARY OF LEGISLATIVE ANALYST'S ESTIMATE OF NET STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT FISCAL IMPACT:**

- This measure has no direct fiscal effect because changes to daylight saving time would depend on future actions by the Legislature and potentially the federal government.

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FINAL VOTES CAST BY THE LEGISLATURE ON AB 807 (PROPOSITION 7)  
(CHAPTER 60, STATUTES OF 2018)

Senate:	Ayes 26	Noes 9
Assembly:	Ayes 68	Noes 6

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**ANALYSIS BY THE LEGISLATIVE ANALYST**

## BACKGROUND

***Federal Law Establishes Daylight Saving Time for Part of the Year.*** Federal law establishes a standard time zone for each area of the U.S. For example, California and other western states are in the Pacific standard time zone. Federal law requires the standard time of each zone to advance by one hour from early March to early November—a period known as Daylight Saving Time (DST). During

DST, sunrises and sunsets occur one hour later than they otherwise would. Currently, federal law does not allow states to adopt year-round DST. However, federal law allows states to opt out of DST and remain on standard time all year, as is currently the case in Arizona and Hawaii.

***California Voted on DST About 70 Years Ago.*** In 1949, California voters approved an initiative measure which established DST in California. The

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**ANALYSIS BY THE LEGISLATIVE ANALYST**

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Legislature can only make changes to that initiative measure by submitting those changes to the voters for their approval.

## PROPOSAL

Proposition 7 allows the Legislature with a two-thirds vote to change DST (such as by remaining on DST year-round), as long as the change is allowed under federal law. Until any such change, California would maintain the current DST period.

## FISCAL EFFECTS

***No Direct Fiscal Effects on State and Local Governments.*** The measure would have no direct effect on state and local government costs or revenues. This is because any impacts would depend on future actions by the Legislature—and potentially the federal government—to change DST.

***Potential Impacts of Changes to DST.*** If the Legislature changed DST, there could be a variety of effects. For

example, if the Legislature approved year-round DST, sunrises and sunsets would occur one hour later between November and March. Such a change could affect the net amount of energy used for lighting, heating, and cooling during those months. In addition, the current system of DST during part of the year likely affects the amount of sleep some people get when switching between standard time and DST twice a year. This potentially affects such things as worker productivity and the number of accidents. Year-round DST would eliminate these effects. The net effect of such changes on state and local government finances is unclear, but would likely be minor.

Visit <http://www.sos.ca.gov/campaign-lobbying/cal-access-resources/measure-contributions/2018-ballot-measure-contribution-totals/> for a list of committees primarily formed to support or oppose this measure. Visit <http://www.fppc.ca.gov/transparency/top-contributors/nov-18-gen.html> to access the committee's top 10 contributors.

If you desire a copy of the full text of the state measure, please call the Secretary of State at (800) 345-VOTE (8683) or you can email [vigfeedback@sos.ca.gov](mailto:vigfeedback@sos.ca.gov) and a copy will be mailed at no cost to you.

(3) *Notwithstanding Section 75.10, Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 75) shall be utilized for purposes of implementing this subdivision, including adjustments of the new base year value of replacement dwellings acquired prior to the sale of the original property.*

(4) *In the case where a form under this section has been timely filed, and new construction is performed upon the replacement dwelling subsequent to the transfer of base year value, the property tax relief provided by this section also shall apply to the replacement dwelling, as improved, and thus there shall be no reassessment upon completion of the new construction if the new construction is completed within two years of the date of the sale of the original property and the owner notifies the assessor in writing of completion of the new construction within six months after completion.*

(i) *With respect to the transfer of the base year value of original properties to replacement dwellings, this section shall apply to any replacement dwelling that is purchased or newly constructed on or after January 1, 2019.*

(j) *A form filed under this section is not a public document and is not subject to public inspection, except that the form shall be available for inspection by the person or his or her spouse, the person's or his or her spouse's legal representative, the trustee of a trust in which the person or his or her spouse is a present beneficiary, and the executor or administrator of the person's or his or her spouse's estate.*

(k) *This section shall become operative on January 1, 2019.*

SEC. 5. The statutory provisions of this measure may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members of each house of the Legislature and signed by the Governor so long as the amendments are consistent with and further the intent of this act.

SEC. 6. The provisions of this act are severable. If any provision of this act or its application is held invalid, that invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application.

## PROPOSITION 6

This initiative measure is submitted to the people in accordance with the provisions of Section 8 of Article II of the California Constitution.

This initiative measure adds a section to the California Constitution; therefore, new provisions proposed to be added are printed in *italic type* to indicate that they are new.

### PROPOSED LAW

SECTION 1. Statement of Findings and Purposes.

(a) California's taxes on gasoline and car ownership are among the highest in the nation.

(b) These taxes have been raised without the consent of the people.

(c) Therefore, the people hereby amend the Constitution to require voter approval of the recent increase in the gas and car tax enacted by Chapter 5 of the Statutes of 2017 and any future increases in the gas and car tax.

SEC. 2. Voter Approval for Increases in Gas and Car Tax.

SEC. 2.1. Section 3.5 is added to Article XIII A of the California Constitution, to read:

*SEC. 3.5. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Legislature shall not impose, increase or extend any tax, as defined in Section 3, on the sale, storage, use, or consumption of motor vehicle gasoline or diesel fuel, or on the privilege of a resident of California to operate on the public highways a vehicle or trailer coach, unless and until that proposed tax is submitted to the electorate and approved by a majority vote.*

*(b) This section does not apply to taxes on motor vehicle gasoline or diesel fuel, or on the privilege of operating a vehicle or trailer coach at the rates that were in effect on January 1, 2017. Any increase in the rate of such taxes imposed after January 1, 2017, shall cease to be imposed unless and until approved by the electorate as required by this section.*

## PROPOSITION 7

This law proposed by Assembly Bill 807 of the 2017–2018 Regular Session (Chapter 60, Statutes of 2018) is submitted to the people in

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accordance with Section 10 of Article II of the California Constitution.

This proposed law adds a section to the Government Code and repeals sections of the Daylight Saving Time Act; therefore, provisions proposed to be deleted are printed in ~~strikeout type~~ and new provisions to be added are printed in *italic type* to indicate that they are new.

## PROPOSED LAW

SECTION 1. If federal law authorizes the state to provide for the year-round application of daylight saving time and the Legislature considers the adoption of this application, it is the intent of this act to encourage the Legislature to consider the potential impacts of year-round daylight saving time on communities along the border between California and other states and between California and Mexico.

SEC. 2. Section 6808 is added to the Government Code, to read:

*6808. (a) The standard time within the state is that of the fifth zone designated by federal law as Pacific standard time (15 U.S.C. Secs. 261 and 263).*

*(b) The standard time within the state shall advance by one hour during the daylight saving time period commencing at 2 a.m. on the second Sunday of March of each year and ending at 2 a.m. on the first Sunday of November of each year.*

*(c) Notwithstanding subdivision (b), the Legislature may amend this section by a two-thirds vote to change the dates and times of the daylight saving time period, consistent with federal law, and, if federal law authorizes the state to provide for the year-round application of daylight saving time, the Legislature may amend this section by a two-thirds vote to provide for that application.*

SEC. 3. Section 1 of the Daylight Saving Time Act is repealed.

~~Section 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the Daylight Saving Time Act.~~

SEC. 4. Section 2 of the Daylight Saving Time Act is repealed.

~~Section 2. The standard time within the State, except as hereinafter provided, is that of the One Hundred and Twentieth (120th) degree of longitude west from Greenwich and which is~~

~~now known, described and designated by Act of Congress as "United States Standard Pacific Time."~~

SEC. 5. Section 3 of the Daylight Saving Time Act is repealed.

~~Sec. 3. From 1 o'clock antemeridian on the last Sunday of April, until 2 o'clock antemeridian on the last Sunday of October, the standard time in this State so established shall be one hour in advance of the standard time now known as United States Standard Pacific time.~~

SEC. 6. Section 4 of the Daylight Saving Time Act is repealed.

~~Section 4. In all laws, statutes, orders, decrees, rules and regulations relating to the time of performance of any act by any officer or department of this State, or of any county, city and county, city, town or district 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 State, and in all the public schools and in all other institutions of this State, or of any county, city and county, city, town or district thereof, and in all contracts or choses in actions made or to be performed in this State, the time shall be as set forth in this act and it shall be so understood and intended.~~

SEC. 7. Section 5 of the Daylight Saving Time Act is repealed.

~~SECTION 5. All acts in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.~~

## PROPOSITION 8

This initiative measure is submitted to the people in accordance with the provisions of Section 8 of Article II of the California Constitution.

This initiative measure adds sections to the Health and Safety Code; therefore, new provisions proposed to be added are printed in *italic type* to indicate that they are new.

## PROPOSED LAW

SECTION 1. Name.

This act shall be known as the "Fair Pricing for Dialysis Act."

SEC. 2. Findings and Purposes.

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