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NOTICE TO THE PRESS

The President has signed H.R. 16102 - Daylight saving time, which amends the Emergency Daylight Saving Time Energy Conservation Act of 1973 to return the country to standard time from October 27, 1974 to February 23, 1975.

H.R. 16102, which is essentially identical to a DOT legislative proposal, will amend the Emergency Daylight Saving Act to exempt from its provisions the period from the last Sunday in October 1974 to the last Sunday in February 1975. This will have the effect of returning the country to standard time during that period. (Under the permanent Uniform Time Act of 1966, standard time would have been in effect from the last Sunday in October until the last Sunday in April).

The 1973 Act provided for year-round daylight saving time for an experimental period from January 1974 to October 1975 in an effort to conserve energy. DOT was required to report on the results both in terms of energy savings as well as other effects. DOT was required to submit an interim report by June 30, 1974 and a final report by June 30, 1975.

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