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Dear Belinda

Thank you for your petition requesting the introduction of daylight saving in Queensland to coincide with the daylight saving policy of New South Wales, The Australian Capital Territory, Victoria, Tasmania and South Australia.

A majority of Queenslanders rejected the introduction of daylight saving in a 1992 referendum. The State Government has no intention currently to hold another referendum or introduce any official changes related to daylight saving. However, daylight saving remains an issue which generates many strongly held opinions that will continue to be monitored.

I am unaware of any current workable model for state-wide daylight saving that would be supported by a majority of Queenslanders. In particular, I note the views held by many Queenslanders in rural and regional areas who consider that the reintroduction of daylight savings would not be of benefit to them.

Yours sincerely

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