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Thank you for your letter of 17 February 2011 enclosing petition no. 1541-10 about daylight saving, which was tabled in the Legislative Assembly on 16 February 2011.

Daylight saving in Queensland is an important issue affecting all parts of our State, and I am grateful to the petitioners for providing their particular thoughts to the Parliament on this matter.

Regardless of what side of the daylight saving argument a person supports, the Queensland community is extremely passionate about this issue.

While I can see the benefits daylight saving would have for people living in the south east corner, my Government is committed to governing for all parts of the State. I do not believe that it is appropriate to disregard the views of regional Queenslanders on daylight saving.

The Government has no plans to seek the views of Queenslanders on the proposal outlined in the petition, or to raise the matter with any other government.

The Government's position on daylight saving remains unchanged, and supports Queensland continuing to follow Australian Eastern Standard Time year-round as provided by the *Standard Time Act 1894*.

Yours sincerely

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