House Bill 709
By: Representatives Cantrell of the 22nd, Burns of the 159th, Trammell of the 132nd, Gravley of the 67th, McCall of the 33rd, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To provide for the holding of a nonbinding, advisory referendum election to determine whether the qualified electors of the State of Georgia desire to continue the advancement of time from standard time to daylight saving time or to observe standard time or daylight saving time year round; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

(a) It shall be the duty of the Secretary of State to issue the call for a nonbinding, advisory referendum election to determine whether the qualified electors of the State of Georgia desire to continue the advancement of time from standard time to daylight saving time or to observe standard time or daylight saving time year round. The Secretary of State shall conduct the referendum election as provided in this section on the date of the November, 2020, general election. The Secretary of State shall issue the call and conduct that referendum election as provided by general law.

(b) The ballot shall be so prepared that the electors shall have an opportunity to vote for only one of the following three options:

( ) Option No. 1. The state shall continue to observe the current system of switching between standard time and daylight saving time twice a year.

( ) Option No. 2. The state shall observe standard time year round.

( ) Option No. 3. The state shall observe daylight saving time year round, if authorized by Congress.

(c) It shall be the duty of the Secretary of State to tabulate and certify the results of the referendum election and report said results to the Governor and the General Assembly immediately following such certification.

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SECTION 2.

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.