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## Hoosiers Get Ready for Daylight-Saving Jump

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Daylight-Saving Time arrives in Indiana this weekend for the first time in more than 30 years.

There is a new time debate here to greet it. Downtown bars are usually dark no matter what the time but, because DST arrives this weekend, bar business will suffer.

Daylight saving time is good for business: That's the message from the Indiana Daylight Coalition made up of organizations

from around the state.

"The first time we do this there will be some hiccups but over time it will get easier and it will certainly produce both economic and quality of life benefits for Hoosiers," said Marilyn Moran-Townsend, a coalition member.

One of those hiccups will take place in downtown bars. Because of the time DST arrives, bar owners could lose as much as a quarter million dollars. That's because it's Final Four weekend: the biggest weekend of the year in the hospitality business..

"At 2:00 am, that suddenly becomes 3:00 am this Saturday night which Indiana allows bars and restaurants to serve until 3:00 am. We're gonna lose that whole 2:00 to 3:00 am hour now," said Brad Klopfenstein, Indiana Licensed Beverage Association.

Bars get that hour back in the fall, but it won't be the same.

Still, that won't stop the governor from celebrating DST. "If you believe that we have a massive undertaking to bring about an economic comeback in this state and that you have to do everything that will help, this will help some," said Gov. Mitch Daniels.

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Hoosiers are being reminded to reset not just their clocks but also their computers. If you use Microsoft Outlook to keep a schedule, you may have to manually change meeting times. Experts recommend printing out your schedule for coming months before changing the setting on your computer.

Meantime, questions continue to come in. For instance:

Q: Do I have to wake up at exactly 2:00 am to set my clock ahead?

A: No, do it before you go to bed.

Q: If I move my clock ahead, will I miss the bus?

A: No, because the bus driver is changing his clock, too.

Q: If I work from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, will I now work from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm?

A: You'll still work from 8:00 to 5:00 pm.



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