

**SENATE BILL NO. 78**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

**BY SENATORS BISHOP, Coghill, Kawasaki, Stevens, Begich, Stedman, Gray-Jackson, Olson, Kiehl, Costello, Micciche, von Imhof, Shower, Wielechowski, Hughes, Giessel, Hoffman, Birch**

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**Introduced: 3/6/19**

**Referred: State Affairs**

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1   **"An Act establishing May 31 of each year as Katie John Day."**

2   **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

3       \* **Section 1.** AS 44.12 is amended by adding a new section to read:

4               **Sec. 44.12.063. Katie John Day.** Katie John Day is established on May 31 of  
5       each year to honor Ahtna Athabascan elder Katie John for her mentoring and  
6       advocacy in defense of Alaska Native customary and traditional hunting, fishing, and  
7       gathering rights. Katie John Day may be observed by suitable observances and  
8       exercises by civic groups and the public.