

SENATE BILL NO. 144

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY SENATOR BISHOP

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Referred: Prefiled

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act establishing June 7 of each year as Walter Harper 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. 44.12.061. Walter Harper Day.** Walter Harper Day is established on
5 June 7 of each year to honor Walter Harper, who in 1913 became the first person to
6 summit Denali, for his superb subsistence skills, his integrity, his strong sense of
7 identity and purpose, and his ability to navigate comfortably in both the Athabaskan
8 culture and other cultures of the United States. Walter Harper Day may be observed by
9 suitable observances and exercises by civic groups and the public.