

**SENATE BILL NO. 78**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

**BY SENATOR BISHOP**

**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.