## **Senate Study Bill 3151**

## **Bill Text**

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Section 1. NEW SECTION. 1C.12 JUNETEENTH NATIONAL
1 2 FREEDOM DAY.
        The governor of this state is hereby authorized and
  4 requested to issue annually a proclamation designating the
1 5 third Saturday in June as Juneteenth National Freedom Day and
  6 to encourage all governmental entities, civic organizations,
1 7 schools, and institutions of higher education in the state to
1 8 observe the day in a manner that emphasizes the meaning and
1 9 importance of the emancipation proclamation that ended slavery
1 10 in the United States and to recognize and celebrate the
1 11 importance of this day to every person who cherishes liberty
1 12 and equality for all people.
                                  EXPLANATION
1 14
        This bill authorizes and requests the governor to issue
1 15 annually a proclamation designating the third Saturday in June
1 16 as Juneteenth National Freedom Day. The proclamation is also
1 17 intended to encourage all governmental entities, civic
1 18 organizations, schools, and institutions of higher education
1 19 in the state to observe the day in a manner that emphasizes
1 20 the meaning and importance of the emancipation proclamation
1 21 that ended slavery in the United States and to recognize and
1 22 celebrate the importance of this day to every person who
1 23 cherishes liberty and equality for all people.
1 24 LSB 6826SC 79
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