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Kavanagh, Rogers, Terán

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 41-2053, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO INDIAN
NATIONS AND TRIBES LEGISLATIVE DAY.

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1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 41-2053, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 41-2053. Indian nations and tribes legislative day

5 A. The governor's office on tribal relations, in cooperation with
6 representatives from this state's Indian nations **AND THE LEGISLATIVE**
7 **INDIGENOUS PEOPLES CAUCUS**, shall annually facilitate an Indian nations and
8 tribes legislative day on Wednesday of the first week of each regular
9 legislative session. The office shall coordinate the planning and
10 preparation of the legislative day with the president of the senate, the
11 speaker of the house of representatives and legislators who are Native
12 American. The senate shall host the legislative day in odd-numbered years
13 and the house of representatives shall host the legislative day in
14 even-numbered years. The hosting chamber shall hold a joint session of
15 the legislature. The office shall invite the legislature and other
16 elected officials to pay tribute to the history and culture of the
17 American Indian peoples and their contributions to the prosperity and
18 cultural diversity of the United States. The office shall schedule
19 activities and discussions between state and Indian nations and tribal
20 leaders on issues in which the state and Indian nations and tribes share a
21 common interest or jurisdiction.

22 B. Indian nations and tribes legislative day is not a legal
23 holiday.