

118TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# S. 623

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 2, 2023

Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. SULLIVAN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

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## A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. ELIGIBILITY FOR CERTAIN PROGRAMS.**

4 Section 29(c) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement  
5 Act (43 U.S.C. 1626(c)) is amended, in the undesignated  
6 matter following paragraph (3), by striking subparagraph  
7 (E) and inserting the following:

1           “(E) an interest in a Settlement Trust or an  
2           amount distributed from or benefit provided by a  
3           Settlement Trust to a Native or descendant of a Na-  
4           tive who is an aged, blind, or disabled individual (as  
5           defined in section 1614(a) of the Social Security Act  
6           (42 U.S.C. 1382c(a)).”.

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