

seat unless he will have been a bona fide resident of St. John for at least three consecutive years next preceding the general election.

Section 2. This Act shall become effective commencing with the election of 1972 and the term of the Tenth Legislature of the Virgin Islands.

*Approved May 18, 1972.*

(BILL 5428)

No. 3222

*(Became law June 7, 1972)*

To Authorize the Governor **To Lease** a Parcel of Land in Eastern St. Thomas Which Had Been Previously Reserved to the Virgin Islands Port Authority for the Development of a New Airport, to The St. Thomas Automobile Racing Association for the Development of an Automobile Drag Racing Strip.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the Virgin Islands:*

Section 1. The Legislature hereby finds and declares that considerable public sentiment exists for the establishment of an Automobile Drag Racing Strip on the Island of St. Thomas, and that the establishment of such a facility would be of considerable value, not only as a recreational outlet for participants and spectators, but as an aid to law enforcement and a benefit to the general public safety. The Legislature further finds and declares that a parcel of land in eastern St. Thomas which had previously been specifically reserved for the development of a new airport by the Virgin Islands Port Authority is not presently being used for that purpose, and that this parcel of land is ideally situated for use as an automobile drag strip, and that appropriate steps should be taken to make such parcel of land available to an interested local automobile racing association for the development of such a drag strip.

Section 2. In furtherance of the legislative findings and declarations contained in section 1 of this Act, the Legislature hereby approves the use of that parcel of land located in eastern St. Thomas and previously reserved for the development of a new airport pursuant to Act No. 3057 (Bill No. 5055), "To Amend

Title 29, Chapter 10, Relating to the Virgin Islands Port Authority", for development and use as an automobile drag racing strip. The Governor, on behalf of the Government of the Virgin Islands, is authorized to lease such parcel of land in the manner provided by law to The St. Thomas Automobile Racing Association for development and utilization as an automobile drag racing strip, subject to such terms and conditions as he may deem desirable and appropriate.

(Received at the Governor's Office on May 25, 1972)

The foregoing Bill having been presented to the Governor of the Virgin Islands for his approval, and not having been returned by him to the Legislature within ten (10) days as prescribed by section 9(a) of the Revised Organic Act of the Virgin Islands, has become a law without his approval.

Government of the Virgin Islands of the United States  
Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas, V.I.  
June 7, 1972

Government Secretary

(BILL 5567)

No. 3223

(Approved June 16, 1972)

To Provide an Appropriation and a Transfer of Funds Previously Appropriated for the Purpose of Furnishing Water to Housing Projects on the Island of St. Thomas, and for Other Purposes.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the Virgin Islands:*

**Section 1.** There is appropriated from any available funds in the Treasury of the Virgin Islands for fiscal year July 1, 1971, through June 30, 1972, to the Department of Public Works the sum of \$20,000 for the purchase or lease of one water tank truck to be used at the direction of the Virgin Islands Housing Authority in transporting water from the potable water system to public housing projects in need of such water on the Island of St. Thomas. Water shall be furnished to the public housing projects without cost to the tenants.

**Section 2.** Act No. 3054 (Bill No. 4928), "An Act To Provide Appropriations From the Internal Revenue Matching Funds for the Fiscal Year July 1, 1971, to June 30, 1972, and for Other Purposes", is hereby amended as follows:

council shall insofar as possible be geographical. No member of the council shall be a licensee under this chapter. The council shall organize, elect a chairman and thereafter meet upon call of the chairman through the Commissioner. The council shall counsel and advise with the Commissioner and make recommendations relative to the operation and regulation of the industry. Such advisory council members as are appointed by the Commissioner shall serve without pay; however, Government per diem and travel allowances may be claimed for attendance at officially called meetings of the council as provided.

§ 1324. Attorney General; enforcement

The Attorney General shall be attorney for the Commissioner in the enforcement of this chapter and shall conduct any investigations incidental to its enforcement.

§ 1325. Waiver of experience requirements

The Commissioner shall waive the experience requirements specified in section 1304 of this chapter in the case of any applicant for a license under this chapter if the applicant meets the other requirements of this chapter and if the applicant is conducting a private investigative agency or a watchman, guard or patrol agency on the effective date of this chapter.

Section 2. The Act shall be effective August 1, 1971.

*Approved May 28, 1971.*

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(BILL 5055)

No. 3057

*(Approved May 28, 1971)*

To Amend Title 29, Chapter 10, Relating to the Virgin Islands Port Authority.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the Virgin Islands:*

Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 541 of Title 29 is amended by striking out the phrase "The Governor of the Virgin Islands and the Director of the Budget" and substituting therefor the following phrase:

"Any two members of his cabinet designated by the Governor".

**Section 2.** Subsection (b) of section 541 of Title 29, Virgin Islands Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The term of office of each member shall be three years and each shall be eligible for reappointment. Any person appointed to fill a vacancy occurring prior to the expiration of the term for which a predecessor was appointed shall be appointed only for the remainder of such term.

**Section 3.** Subsection (c) of section 541 of Title 29, Virgin Islands Code, is amended to read as follows:

(c) Of the said seven persons, three shall be residents of the Island of St. Thomas, three shall be residents of the Island of St. Croix, and one shall be a resident of the Island of St. John.

**Section 4.** Subsection (c) of section 542 of Title 29, Virgin Islands Code, is amended to read as follows:

(c) The Board shall appoint in addition to the Executive Director of the Authority, such other officers, agents, or employees, permanent or temporary, and by contract or otherwise may employ such consulting engineers, superintendents, managers, fiscal, legal and other technical experts, as it may deem necessary and shall determine their qualifications, duties, tenure and compensation. The bylaws of the Authority may provide for the delegation to its Executive Director or its other officers, agent or employees of such of the powers and duties of the Authority as the Board may deem proper.

**Section 5.** The first sentence of section 543 of Title 29, Virgin Islands Code, as far as the first semicolon, is hereby amended to read as follows:

The purposes of the Authority shall be to establish, acquire, construct, develop and improve, own, operate and manage any and all types of air and marine terminals;

**Section 6.** The sentence at the end of subparagraph (6) of section 543 of Title 29, Virgin Islands Code, is amended to read as follows:

In no case shall the Authority have the power to sell, lease, assign, mortgage, pledge or otherwise dispose of or encumber any real property without the approval of the Legislature (of the Committee of the Whole of the Legislature when the Legislature is not in session), and the Governor; Provided, however, That leases for a term of one year or less shall not require such approval;

**Section 7.** Subsection (a) of section 551 of Title 29 is amended by deleting therefrom the following provision:  
Provided, further, That of the total amount of bonds which may be outstanding at any one time hereunder, not less than thirty million dollars shall be available exclusively for facilities on the Island of St. Thomas, not less than thirty million dollars shall be available exclusively for facilities on the Island of St. Croix, and not less than five million dollars shall be available exclusively for facilities on the Island of St. John;

**Section 8.** Section 561 of Title 29, Virgin Islands Code, is hereby amended by the deletion of subsection (b) thereof.

**Section 9.** Subsection (c) of section 561 of Title 29 of the Virgin Islands Code, is amended by adding the following at the end thereof:

Any of the real property which was transferred to the Authority pursuant to paragraph (a) of section 3 of Act No. 2375 (approved December 24, 1968) which does not constitute facilities related to the airport and/or marine activities of the Authority shall be retransferred to the Government of the Virgin Islands. Such transfer shall be effective as of July 1, 1971, and shall be evidenced by appropriate deeds of conveyance or other legal instruments.

**Section 10.** Section 576 of Title 29 of the Virgin Islands Code, is hereby repealed.

**Section 11.** All activities of the Authority, its properties and personnel, other than that involving Marine and Aviation, and including housing units, beaches, real property leases, fire fighting units shall be transferred to the Government of the Virgin Islands effective July 1, 1971, provided that in the transferral of personnel employees currently holding positions with the Port Authority shall be given preference in appointments to the extent that such jobs are retained by the Government of the Virgin Islands.

**Section 12.** Land in eastern St. Thomas which has been acquired for the development of a new airport shall not be used for any other purpose without the prior approval of the Governor and the Legislature of the Virgin Islands.

**Section 13.** It is hereby declared that none of the foregoing amendments, separately or collectively, is intended to affect in any way any obligation of the Authority arising out of its issuance of bonds, or any other evidence of indebtedness, or any contract,

lease or other obligation heretofore entered into by the Authority or its predecessors.

Section 14. There is hereby appropriated to the Virgin Islands Port Authority the sum of \$700,000 out of any available funds in the Treasury of the Virgin Islands for fiscal year ending June 30, 1971, to remain available until expended.

*Approved May 28, 1971.*

(BILL 5069)

No. 3058

*(Approved May 28, 1971)*

To Amend Title 18 of the Virgin Islands Code, Pertaining to Elections; To Lower the Voting Age and Remove Literacy Requirements for Electors; and Provide Additional Opportunities for the Registration of Electors.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the Virgin Islands:*

Section 1. Section 261 of chapter 13 of Title 18, Virgin Islands Code, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Except as provided in this chapter, every resident of the Virgin Islands, who is a citizen of the United States and is 18 years of age or over, has the right to franchise, and shall be entitled to vote at all elections if he or she has complied with the provisions of this title requiring and regulating the registration of its electors."

Section 2. Sections 1 and 4 of Act No. 2887 (Bill No. 4663), Eighth Legislature of the Virgin Islands, Regular Session 1970, are hereby repealed.

Section 3. Subsections (d) and (e) of section 100 of chapter 5 of Title 18, Virgin Islands Code, are redesignated as subsections (e) and (f), respectively, and a new subsection (d) is added to said section 100 to read as follows:

"(d) If the applicant for registration shall allege inability to sign his name, then he shall be required to present affidavits, subscribed in person before a member of the board or the clerk, of two electors who are personally acquainted with the applicant and who know his qualifications as an elector. Each of said two electors shall state in his affidavit the applicant's residence, his own residence, his knowledge of the statement made by the applicant

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**PROPOSED BY:** Senator Myron D. Jackson

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1 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the Virgin Islands:*

2       **SECTION 1.** The Commissioners of the Department of Sports Parks and Recreation and  
3 the Department of Property & Procurement, in consultation with the Automobile Racing  
4 Commission may find or procure in accordance with 31 V.I.C, Chapter 23 suitable government,  
5 public property on the island of St. Thomas, preferably at Estate Bovoni, for the construction of  
6 an adequate automobile racing facility. Once the facility is constructed the Department of sports,  
7 Parks and Recreation shall manage the facility in accordance with the provisions of title 32  
8 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 12.

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**BILL SUMMARY**

This Bill charges the Commissioners of the Department of Sports, Parks and Recreation and Property and Procurement together with the Automobile Racing Commission with finding suitable government property in Estate Bovoni for the construction of an automobile racing track.

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