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AMENDMENT TO BILL NO. 31-0100

Offered by Senator Terrence "Positive" Nelson

Bill No. 31-0100 is amended in the following instances:

(a) Section 1 is amended as follows:

(1) Internal §20, subsection (c) s amendment on page 4, lines 7 through 9 by is amended by striking all of the language after "basis";

(2) Internal §22 is amended:

(A) on page 5, line 19 :by inserting the subsection designator "(a)" after "22 and the caption, "Industrial hemp production ;

(B) in paragraph (1) on line 21 by striking "one" and inserting 0.3 ;

(C) on page 6, line 1 by striking "a" and inserting the subsection designator, "(b)";

(D) on lines 3 and 4 of page 6 by striking "the name and address of the person or entity receiving the industrial hemp" and

(E) and at the end of subsection (b) on page 6, line 4 after "sold" by inserting "at a given time".

(3) Internal §23 is amended On page 7, line 5 by inserting the section heading, "Rulemaking authority" and after "Commissioner" by inserting "and the University of the Virgin Islands jointly";

(4) Internal §24 is amended on page 6 line 17 by inserting the section heading "Disposition of fees;

(5) Internal §25 is amended on page 6, line 20 by inserting the section heading, "Defense for possession of hemp" and in subsection (b) on page 7, line 9 by striking "marijuana" and inserting "cannabis";

(6) Internal §26 is amended on page 7, line 10 by inserting the section heading, "Promotion of hemp research and development" and on page 8 in paragraph (2), on line 11 by striking "three" and inserting "0.3";

(7) Internal §27 is amended:

(A) in subsection (a) by

- (i) Striking "fifteen" on line 17, *and insert 9*
- (ii) striking paragraph (2) on page 9, line 19;
- (iii) striking on page 10, paragraph (4) on lines 1-2, paragraphs (7) and (8) On lines 7 through 10;
- (iv) amending paragraph (9) on lines 11 and 12 by striking all of the language after "The" and inserting Attorney General or the Attorney General's designee;
- (v) amending paragraph (10) by striking all of its language and inserting new language that reads "Four members appointed by the Governor", of whom one must be a resident of the district of St. Thomas, *St. Croix* and one a resident of the district of St. Thomas and St. John;

(B) in subsection (e) by striking all of the language after "receive" and inserting

7 "\$5.00 for each day or part of a day spent in the attendance of official meetings or performing official duties, plus actual travel expenses when the

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member must travel from the island of the member's residence to attend official meetings or perform official duties"; and

(C) in subsection (g) on page 11, line 8 after "legislation" by inserting and recommendations and legislation on the establishment and operation of a paper mill by the Government" and in paragraph (5), on line 21 after "private by inserting "and federal";

(b) Section 2 is amended after "chapter" by striking "1" and inserting "29" and after "subchapter" by striking "VI" and inserting "I"; and

(c) Section 3 is added and reads as follows:

"SECTION 3. The sum of \$75,000 is appropriated in the fiscal year ending September 30, 2015, from the General Fund to the Department of Agriculture to carry out the purposes of section 1 of this Act.

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