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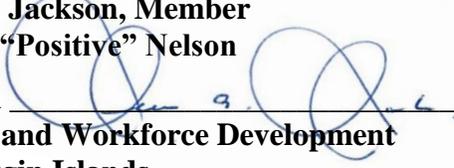
Honorable Jean A. Forde
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MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable Kurt Vialet, Vice-Chairman
The Honorable Justin Harrigan, Sr., Member
The Honorable Kenneth L. Gittens, Member
The Honorable Tregenza A. Roach, Member
The Honorable Myron D. Jackson, Member
The Honorable Terrence "Positive" Nelson

From: Jean A. Forde, Chairman 
Committee on Education and Workforce Development
31st Legislature of the Virgin Islands

Date: October 5, 2015

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF COMMITTEE MEETING

Please be advised that the Senate Committee on Education and Workforce Development will meet at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, October 28, 2015 in the Frits Lawaetz Legislative Conference Room on St. Croix to consider the following bills:

1. *Bill No. 31-0236—Bill No. 31-0236, An Act amending title 24 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 1, pertaining to increasing the minimum wage and appointing members to the Virgin Islands Wage Board*

INVITED TESTIFIERS

- The Honorable Catherine Hendry, Commissioner of Labor
- Ms. Bernadette Melendez, Director, Bureau of Economic Research
- Mr. Gerard "Jerry" Jackson, Staff Representative, United Steelworkers of America, Sub-district 5
- Mr. Daniel Filippo, Regional Director, United Steelworkers of America, District 9
- Mr. Avery Lewis, President, Central Labor Council
- Mr. Joseph Aubain, Executive Director, STT-STJ Chamber of Commerce
- Mr. Shack Hawkins, President, STX Chamber of Commerce
- Ms. Lisa Hamilton, President, U.S. Virgin Islands Hotel and Tourism Association
- Mr. Richard J Doumeng, Managing Director, Bolongo Bay Beach Resorts
- Mr. Kevin Henry, Concerned Citizen

2. ***Bill No. 31-0138—Bill No. 31-0138, An Act re-establishing the Bachelor of Science in the Nursing Degree Programs at the University of the Virgin Islands, on the St. Croix campus***

INVITED TESTIFIERS

- Mr. Nellon Bowry, Director, Office of Management and Budget
 - Dr. David Hall, Esq., President, University of the Virgin Islands
 - Dr. Kendall Griffith, CEO, Juan F. Luis Hospital & Medical Center
 - Dr. Beverly Lansiquot, DNP, Dean, School of Nursing
 - Ms. Janzie Allmacher, Vice-Chair, V.I. Board of Nurse Licensure
3. ***Bill No. 31-0154—An Act establishing the Virgin Islands Standards Review Committee to comprehensively analyze Virgin Islands education standards and Common Core Standards to ensure that an informed decision can be made as to the future direction the Virgin Islands Department of Education in developing curriculum and standards that are practical and specifically suited for the Virgin Islands***

INVITED TESTIFIERS

- The Honorable Sharon McCollum, Commissioner of Education
- The Honorable Catherine Hendry, Commissioner of Labor
- Dr. David Hall, Esq. President, University of the Virgin Islands
- Mr. Avery Lewis, President, AFT-Local 1825
- Ms. Rosa Soto-Thomas, President, AFT-Local 1826
- Mr. Carver Farrow, President, STT-STJ Education Administrators Association
- Ms. Rosa White, President, STX Education Administrators Association
- Ms. Colleen Williams, STX Insular Superintendent, DOE
- Ms. Dionne Wells, STT-STJ Insular Superintendent, DOE
- Ms. Maria Encarnacion, Director of Curriculum & Instruction (STX). DOE
- Ms. Kifani Hendricks-Carey, Director of Curriculum & Instruction (STT-STJ)

cc: *All Senators*
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