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BILL NO. 31-0298

Thirty-first Legislature of the Virgin Islands

December 17, 2015

An Act amending title 30 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 1, section 7 pertaining to Public Utilities

PROPOSED BY: Senators Jean A. Forde and Myron D. Jackson

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

2 **SECTION 1.** Title 30 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 1, section 7 is amended by designating
3 the existing language as subsection (a) and adding subsection (b) that reads as follows:

4 “(b) Each public utility shall maintain at least one office where customers can pay their
5 bills and charges in person on St. Croix, on St. Thomas, and on St. John. Additionally, payment
6 in cash must be included among the accepted methods of payment for such bills and charges.”

7 **SECTION 2.** This Act takes effect 90 days after enactment.

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BILL SUMMARY

10 This bill amends title 30 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 1, section 7 to require all public
11 utilities to maintain an office on the islands of St. Thomas, St. John and St. Croix where customers

1 can pay their bills and charges in person. It further provides for a fine for noncompliance with this
2 provision.

3 **SECTION 2** of the Bill sets a timeline for utilities to carry out the mandates of this bill.

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