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2 **COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT SERVICES, CONSUMER AND**
3 **VETERANS AFFAIRS**

4 **31TH LEGISLATURE OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS**

5 **BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLES**

6 **FRIDAY JANUARY 22, 2016**
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9 **GOOD MORNING/AFTERNOON MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE**
10 **COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT SERVICES, CONSUMER AND VETERANS**
11 **AFFAIRS, OTHER MEMBERS OF THE 31ST LEGISLATURE, MEMBERS OF THE**
12 **PRESS, LADIES AND GENTLEMAN. I AM LAWRENCE ANTHONY OLIVE,**
13 **DIRECTOR OF THE BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLES.**
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15 **I AM HERE TODAY TO TESTIFY ON BILL NO 31-0161 AN ACT AMENDING TITLE**
16 **20 VIC, PART II CHAPTER 43 PERTAINING TO TRAFFIC FINES. I AM IN FAVOR**
17 **OF THE BILL THAT WOULD DISTRIBUTE FUNDINGS TO THE BMV. BUT I MUST**
18 **DISAGREE WITH THE PERCENTAGE OF 82% THAT WILL BE GIVEN. I BELIVE THAT**
19 **THE GREATER PERCENTAGE SHOULD BE GIVEN TO THE VIRGIN ISLANDS POLICE**
20 **DEPARTMENT, BECAUSE THE POLICE OFFICERS ARE THE ONES ISSUING THE**
21 **CITATIONS, THE COURT IS THE PROCESSING AGENCY, AND THE BUREAU OF MOTOR**
22 **VEHCILES IS THE LAST TO DEAL WITH THE TRAFFICE CITATION.**

23 **I AM RECOMMENDING THAT 60% GO TO VIRGIN ISLANDS POLICE DEPARTMENT,**
24 **30% GO TO THE COURTS AND 10%TO THE BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLES. THERE**

25 SHOULD BE A CLAUSE THAT THE MONIES COLLECTED GO TO A SPECIAL FUND TOO
26 BE USED FOR HIRING EMPLOYEES AND GIVING STEP INCREASES FOR THE
27 EMPLOYEES WORKING AT THE BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLES.

28 IN MY PROFESSIONAL OPINION THIS WOULD BE A MORAL BOOSTER TO THE
29 BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLE EMPLOYEES KNOWING THAT THERE WILL BE MONIES
30 IN A SPECIAL FUND TO CONTINUE THERE STEP INCREASES AS THE YEARS GO BY .

31 MR. CHAIRMAN, I THANK YOU, MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT
32 SERVICES, CONSUMER AND VETERANS AFFAIRS AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE 31ST
33 LEGISLATURE.

34 I WOULD LIKE TO PERSONALLY THANK SENATOR SAMUEL SANES FOR BRINGING
35 THIS BILL FORWARD IF PASS BY THE 31ST LEGISLATURE IT WOULD BE A GREAT
36 HELP FOR THE BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLES IN FUNDING. AGAIN THANK YOU FOR
37 INVITING ME TO TESTIFY ON BILL NO 31-0161.

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39 I AM PREPARED TO ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS AND ENGAGE IN FURTHER
40 DISCUSSION.