

TESTIMONY FOR SENATE HEARING ON BILL No. 31-0161

- Good Morning Senate Chairman, Fellow Senators, audience, and listeners.
- I am Lt Joseph D. Platt, Traffic Bureau Commander for the US Virgin Islands Police Department, St Croix District.
- Thank You for inviting the Virgin Islands Police Department here to testify on **Bill N0. 31-0161.**
- I will be representing Police Commissioner Delroy Richards, Sr.
- The position of the Virgin Islands Police Department is that it supports the proposed bill with the following suggestions.
- That the monies from the fines be distributed differently.
- The Virgin Islands Police Department is the enforcement arm of the community and can always use more funds for its enforcement efforts.
- The Virgin Islands Police Department request that a minimum of 25 percent be covered over to the VIPD instead of 10 percent and the additional 15 percent we are requesting come from the 82 percent covered over to the Bureau of Motor Vehicles leaving 67 percent to be covered over to the Bureau of Motor Vehicles.
- The 8 percent covered over to the Superior Court of the Virgin Islands remain the same.
- Thank you again for the Virgin Islands Police Department to have the opportunity to testify on this bill.