



31st Legislature of the Virgin Islands

SENATE CALENDAR

Monday, April 13, 2015

Time: 10:00 A.M.

Committee: Economic Development, Agriculture and Planning

Chairperson: Senator Janette Millin Young Vice-Chairperson: Senator Novelle Francis, Jr.,

**Location: Frits E. Lawaetz Legislative Conference Room
St. Croix, Virgin Islands**

Agenda

The Committee on Economic Development, Agriculture and Planning has scheduled a meeting to receive testimony on the following measures:

Bill No. 31-0017 – An Act amending Virgin Islands Code, Title 3, Chapter, 19 by adding Section 334 relating to the development of marine tourism in the Virgin Islands

Invited Testifiers:

Honorable Beverly Nicholson-Doty
Commissioner
Department of Tourism

Mr. Percival Clouden
Chief Operating Officer
Virgin Islands Economic Development
Authority

Honorable Devin Carrington, Esq.,
Commissioner, Nominee
Department of Licensing and
Consumer Affairs

Ms. Bernadette Melendez
Acting Director
Bureau of Economic Research

Mr. Howard Forbes
Director
Department of Planning and Natural
Resources

Mr. Rich Difede
President
Gold Coast Yachts, Inc.

Mr. Joseph Boschulte
Executive Director
West Indian, Co. Ltd

Mr. Eric Ackerson
Consultant
Marine Economic Consultant

Mr. Bruce White
Manager
St. Thomas Yacht Club

Ms. Jay Bryan
Club Manager
St. Croix Yacht Club

2:00 P.M.

Bill No. 31-0055 – An Act providing for a feasibility study for establishing a plant for processing local fruits and other agriculture products

Invited Testifiers:

Mr. Carlos Robles
Commissioner, Nominee
Department of Agriculture

Mr. Percival Clouden
Chief Operating Officer
Virgin Islands economic Development
Authority

Ms. Nadine Marchena Kean
Director
Enterprise and Commercial
Zone Commission

Mr. Nate Olive
Director
Ridge to Reef Farm

Mr. Dale Browne
Owner
Sejah Farm

Tuesday, April 14, 2015

Time: 5:00 P.M.

Committee: Committee of the Whole Hearing

Chairperson: Senator Neville A. James, President Vice-President: Sen. Janette Millin Young

**Location: Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall
St. Thomas, Virgin Islands**

Agenda

The **Thirty First Legislature** will convene in a **Committee of the Whole Meeting** to receive testimony from the Elections System of the U.S. Virgin Islands and the Board of Elections on the following.

A Post-Election matters related to the 2014 Primary, General and Run-off Elections, to include but not limited to data, logistics, cost, operations and other election-related issues.

Elections System of the Virgin Islands:

Invited Testifiers:

Ms. Caroline F. Fawkes

Deputy Supervisor of (District of St. Croix)
Elections System of the Virgin Islands

Ms. Genevieve R. Whitaker MPM, JD

Deputy Supervisor of (District of St. Croix)
Elections System of the U.S. Virgin Islands

Invited Testifiers:

Board of Elections: (District of St. Croix)

Ms. Lilliana Belardo de O'Neal

Chair
Board of Elections
St. Croix, Virgin Islands

Ms. Lisa Harris Moorhead, Esq.,

Acting Vice-Chair
Board of Elections
St. Croix, Virgin Islands

Mr. Glen Webster

Secretary
Board of Elections
St. Croix, Virgin Islands

Mr. Raymond J. Williams

Member
Board of Elections
St. Croix, Virgin Islands

Mr. Roland L. Moolenaar

Member
Board of Elections
St. Croix, Virgin Islands

Mr. Adelbert M. Bryan

Member
Board of Elections
St. Croix, Virgin Islands

Ms. Barbara Jackson McIntosh

Member
Board of Elections
St. Croix, Virgin Islands

Board of Elections: (District of St. Thomas)

Arturo Watlington, Jr. Esq.,

Chair

Board of Elections

St. Thomas, Virgin Islands

Ms. Lydia Hendricks

Vice-Chair

Board of Elections

St. Thomas, Virgin Islands

Ms. Carla Joseph

Secretary

Board of Elections

St. Thomas, Virgin Islands

Ms. Diane J. Magras-Urena

Member

Board of Elections

St. Thomas, Virgin Islands

Ms. Ivy K. Moses

Member

Board of Elections

St. Thomas, Virgin Islands

Ms. Alicia M. Wells

Member

Board of Elections

St. Thomas, Virgin Islands

Mr. Lawrence Boschulte

Member

Board of Elections

St. Thomas, Virgin Islands

Wednesday, April 15, 2015

Time: 9:00 A.M.

Committee: Government Services, Consumer and Veterans Affairs

Chairman: Senator Justin Harrigan, Sr., Vice-Chairperson: Senator Myron D. Jackson

**Location: Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall
St. Thomas, Virgin Islands**

Agenda

The **Committee on Government Services, Consumer and Veterans Affairs** has scheduled a meeting to consider the following Bills:

Bill No. 31-0014 – An Act amending Title 33, Virgin Islands Code, adding Chapter 119 to re-establish the Office of the Virgin Islands Inspector General as a semiautonomous agency of the Government

(Proposed by Senator Clifford F. Graham)

Invited Testifiers:

Mr. Nellon Bowry
Director Nominee
Office of Management and Budget

Mr. Steven van Beverhoudt
Inspector General
Office of the VI Inspector General

Bill No. 31-0039 – An Act amending Title 3, Chapter 40, Section 1205 of the Virgin Islands Code, by examining the scope of the audits conducted by the Inspector General

(Proposed by Senator Sammuell Sanes)

Invited Testifier:

Mr. Steven van Beverhoudt
Inspector General
Office of the Inspector General

Bill No. 31-0036 – An Act amending Title 25 Virgin Islands Code, Chapter 16, Section 403, Subsection (a) (1) to allow the Department of Planning and Natural Resources to set reasonable fee schedules for various administrative services without legislative approval

(Proposed by Senator Sammuell Sanes)

Invited Testifier:

Dawn Henry, Esq.,
Commissioner Nominee
Department of Planning and Natural Resources

Thursday,

April 16, 2015

RESERVED FOR CONSTITUENT MEETINGS AND OFFICE WORK

Friday, April 17, 2015

Time 5:30 P.M.

Event: The Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., (Forum)

Host: Senator Neville A. James, President, 31st Legislature

Location: Frits E. Lawaetz, Conference Room
St. Croix, Virgin Islands

The Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., all around the world has been engaging in the “Aka Day at the Capitol” which is an initiative that allows the sorority members and lawmakers to participate in a dialogue about important platform issues. Sigma Theta Omega Chapter of St. Thomas/St. John and Mu Gamma Omega Chapter of St. Croix in conjunction with the two undergraduate chapters at the University of the Virgin Islands have requested the 31st Legislature to host their day at the capitol.

The forum will be held at the Frits W. Lawaetz, Conference Room, on St. Croix, Virgin Islands and the Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall, on St. Thomas simultaneously, joined by audio-conference.

The areas of discussion are civil rights, social justice, shelter, financial matters in the territory and any future initiatives that may be forthcoming. In addition to legislation that affects women and children

Monday, April 20, 2015

RESERVED FOR CONSITUTION MEETINGS AND OFFICE WORK

Tuesday, April 21, 2015

Time: 9:00 A.M.

Committee: **** Finance

Chairperson: Senator Clifford F. Graham Vice-chairperson: Senator Kurt A. Vialet

Location: Earle B. Ottley Legislative hall
St. Thomas, Virgin Islands

Agenda

The **Committee on Finance** has scheduled meeting to consider the following Bills:

Bill No. 31-0023 – An Act amending Title 33 Virgin Islands Code, Chapter, 3 relating excise taxes on cigarette and Chapter 111 establishing “The Virgin Islands Sin tax Fund”

Proposed by Senator Sammuel Sanes

Bill No. 31-0052 – An Act to authorize the Virgin Islands government to purchase Estate Catherineberg from WICO by offsetting payments owed in ire of taxes, as mandated by Act No. 5826, as amended

Proposed by Senator Janette Millin Young

Bill No. 31-0072 - An Act amending Title 13 Virgin Islands Code, Chapter, 7, Section 588 pertaining to the regulation of non-federally chartered credit unions

Proposed by Senator Clifford f. Graham

Bill No. 31-0090 – An Act amending Act No. 7081 to re-program monies for phase 2 of the Pumped Hydro Storage Facility on St. Croix and St. Thomas

Proposed by Senator Sammuel Sanes

Wednesday, April 22, 2015

Time: 9:00 A.M.

Committee: Government Services, Consumer and Veterans Affairs

Chairman: Senator Justin Harrigan, Sr., Vice-Chairperson: Senator Myron D. Jackson

**Location: Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hal
St. Thomas, Virgin Islands**

Agenda

The **Committee on Government Services, Consumer and Veterans Affairs** has scheduled a meeting to consider to following Bills:

Bill No. 31-0003 – An Act amending Title 20 Virgin Islands Code, Chapter 49, Section 741 to expand the definition of “abandoned motor vehicle” and for other purposes

Proposed by Senator Justin Harrigan, Sr.,

Invited Testifiers: To Follow

Bill No. 31-0002 – An Act amending Title 20 Virgin Islands Code, Chapter 39, Section, 436 to allow for discounts for obtaining or renewing taxi licenses for senior citizens

Proposed by Senator Justin Harrigan, Sr.,

Invited Testifiers: To Follow

Thursday, April 23, 2015 Agenda to follow

Time: 10:00 A.M.

Committee: Rules and Judiciary

Chairperson: Senator Kenneth L. Gittens Vice-Chairperson: Senator Janette Millin Young

**Location: Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall
St. Thomas, Virgin Islands**

Friday, April 24, 2015

Time: 10:00 A.M.

Committee: Homeland Security, Public Safety, and Justice

Chairperson: Senator Novelle E. Francis, Jr., Vice-Chairperson: Senator Kenneth L. Gittens

**Location: Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall
St. Thomas, Virgin Islands**

Agenda

The **Committee on Homeland Security, Public Safety, and Justice** has scheduled meeting to provide status updates on their respective agencies

Invited Testifiers:

Major General Renaldo Rivera
Adjutant General
Virgin Islands National Guard

Ms. Mona Barnes
Director Nominee
Virgin Islands Territorial Emergency
Management Agency

Additionally, the **Committee on Homeland Security, Pubic Safety and Justice** intends to present several bills, to be announced at this meeting