



35th Legislature of the Virgin Islands
SENATE CALENDAR
March 13, 2023 – March 24, 2023

**MONDAY,
MARCH 13, 2023**

PRESIDENT: SENATOR NOVELLE E. FRANCIS, JR.
VICE PRESIDENT: SENATOR MARVIN A. BLYDEN

The Committee of the Whole
10:00 A.M.
Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall

The Thirty-Fifth Legislature will convene in a Committee of the Whole Hearing to receive testimony on the following zoning requests:

BLOCK I

10:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Bill No. [35-0052](#) An Act amending Official Zoning Map No. SJZ-3 for the island of St. John to change the zoning designation of Parcel No. 14 Rem Estate Carolina, Coral Bay Quarter, St. John from R-2 (Residential-Low Density-One and Two Family) to B-2 (Business-Secondary/Neighborhood)

Invited Testifiers:

The Honorable Jean-Pierre L. Oriol, Commissioner, Department of Planning and Natural Resources
Leia LaPlace-Matthew, Territorial Planner, Department of Planning and Natural Resources
Michael Milne, Authorized Agent

Bill No. [35-0053](#) An Act granting a zoning use variance for Parcel No. 84 Estate Contant, No. 7B, Southside Quarter, St. Thomas Virgin Islands from the R-3 (Residential-Medium Density) zoning designation to allow for offices

Invited Testifiers:

The Honorable Jean-Pierre L. Oriol, Commissioner, Department of Planning and Natural Resources
Leia LaPlace-Matthew, Territorial Planner, Department of Planning and Natural Resources
Roger Minkoff, Authorized Agent

BLOCK II

1:00 P.M. - 3:00 P.M.

Bill No. [35-0024](#) An Act granting a zoning use variance for Parcel No. 5C Estate Anna’s Retreat No. 1 New Quarter, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, to allow for dwellings

Invited Testifiers:

The Honorable Jean-Pierre L. Oriol, Commissioner, Department of Planning and Natural Resources

Leia LaPlace-Matthew, Territorial Planner, Department of Planning and Natural Resources

Mark Grimes, Representative, 5C-AR Holdings, LLC

Vonetta C. Norman, Esq., Representative, 5C-AR Holdings, LLC

Bill No. [35-0040](#) An Act granting a zoning variance for Parcels Nos. A1-24 & A1-25 Estate Thomas, No. 6K New Quarter, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands to allow an office, 2 one-bedroom apartments, flex space, gym, 13 parking spaces (1 handicapped), cistern and grey water cistern and accessory building for generator and garage space

Invited Testifiers:

The Honorable Jean-Pierre L. Oriol, Commissioner, Department of Planning and Natural Resources

Leia LaPlace-Matthew, Territorial Planner, Department of Planning and Natural Resources

Jason Charles, Chief, External Affairs, Alpine Group USVI, LLC

**TUESDAY,
MARCH 14, 2023**

CONSTITUENT MEETINGS AND OFFICE WORK

Reserved

**WEDNESDAY,
MARCH 15, 2023**

**CHAIR: SENATOR KENNETH L. GITTENS
VICE CHAIR: SENATOR RAY FONSECA**

**Committee on Homeland Security,
Justice, and Public Safety
10:00 A.M.
Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall**

Please be advised that the Committee on Homeland Security, Justice, and Public Safety has scheduled a legislative committee hearing for **Wednesday, March 15, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. in the Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall**, located on **St. Thomas, V.I.** to vet bills assigned to the committee and to hear overview testimony from Virgin Islands Police Department, Office of the Territorial Public Defender, and the Office of Gun Violence Prevention.

BLOCK I

10:00 A.M.

The committee will receive overview testimony, from the Office of the Territorial Public defender regarding, yet not limited to, updates on the Office's operations, capital projects, and initiatives.

Invited Testifier:

Samuel Joseph, Esq., Chief Public Defender, Public Defender's Office

LUNCH

12:00 P.M. – 1:00 P.M.

BLOCK II

1:00 P.M.

Bill No. [35-0013](#) An Act amending title 20 Virgin Islands Code, part 11, chapter 35, relating to the issuance of operators' licenses and identification cards to allow applicants to obtain limited local-purpose identification cards and operators' licenses without providing certain federally required documentation

Invited Testifiers:

The Honorable Barbara McIntosh, Director, Bureau of Motor Vehicles

Carol Thomas-Jacobs, Esq., Acting Attorney General, V.I. Department of Justice

Glendina Matthew, Esq., Director, Division of Banking & Insurance

The Honorable Ray Martinez, Commissioner, V.I. Police Department

Paul Alexander, Resident, Native of Dominica

Eddy Fleury, Resident, Native of Haiti

Adriana Veliz, Resident, Native of Venezuela

Ivor James, Resident, Native of St. Vincent

Luther Renee, Resident, Native of St. Lucia

Jerome Pineda, Resident, Native of the Philippines

Dioniso Lorenzo, Resident, Native of Dominican Republic

BLOCK III**3:00 P.M.**

The committee will receive overview testimony for the Virgin Islands Police Department and the Office of Gun Violence Prevention not limited to, updates on the department's operations, capital projects, and initiatives.

Invited Testifiers:

The Honorable Ray Martinez, Commissioner, V.I. Police Department

Mr. Anthony Emmanuel, Director, Office of Gun Violence Prevention

**THURSDAY,
MARCH 16, 2023**

CHAIR: SENATOR MILTON E. POTTER

VICE CHAIR: SENATOR DIANE T. CAPEHART

**Committee on Disaster Recovery,
Infrastructure and Planning**

9:30 A.M.

Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall

The Committee on Disaster Recovery, Infrastructure, and Planning has scheduled a meeting for **Thursday, March 16, 2023**, at **9:30 A.M.** in the **Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall** to receive status updates on all anticipated, and underway, disaster recovery – related projects, programs, and funding.

Invited Testifiers:

Adrienne L. Williams-Octalien, Director, Office of Disaster Recovery

Dayna Clendinen, Acting Director, Virgin Islands Housing Finance Authority

**FRIDAY,
MARCH 17, 2023**

PRESIDENT: SENATOR NOVELLE E. FRANCIS, JR.

VICE PRESIDENT: SENATOR MARVIN A. BLYDEN

**The Committee of the Whole
GIRL SCOUTS LEADERSHIP DAY**

10:00 A.M.

Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall/Frits E. Lawaetz Legislative Conference Room

**MONDAY,
MARCH 20, 2023**

**CHAIR: SENATOR CARLA J. JOSEPH
VICE CHAIR: SENATOR JAVAN E. JAMES, SR.**

**Committee on Government Operations,
Veterans Affairs, and Consumer Protection
10:00 A.M.
Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall**

**TUESDAY,
MARCH 21, 2023**

**CHAIR: SENATOR DONNA A. FRETT-GREGORY
VICE CHAIR: SENATOR NOVELLE E. FRANCIS, JR.**

**Committee on Budget, Appropriations,
and Finance
10:00 A.M.
Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall**

**WEDNESDAY,
MARCH 22, 2023**

**CHAIR: SENATOR MARVIN A. BLYDEN
VICE CHAIR: SENATOR MARISE C. JAMES**

**Committee on Housing,
Transportation, and Telecommunications
10:00 A.M.
Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall**

**THURSDAY,
MARCH 23, 2023**

**CHAIR: SENATOR MARISE C. JAMES
VICE CHAIR: SENATOR DONNA A. FRETT-GREGORY**

**Committee on Education
and Workforce Development
10:00 A.M.
Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall**

**FRIDAY,
MARCH 24, 2023**

CONSTITUENT MEETINGS AND OFFICE WORK

Reserved
