



**35<sup>th</sup> Legislature of the Virgin Islands**  
**SENATE CALENDAR**  
**April 17, 2023 – April 28, 2023**

**MONDAY,**  
**APRIL 17, 2023**

**CONSTITUENT MEETINGS AND OFFICE WORK**

**Reserved**

**TUESDAY,**  
**APRIL 18, 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,**  
**APRIL 19, 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**

**THURSDAY,  
APRIL 20, 2023**

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**CONSTITUENT MEETINGS AND OFFICE WORK**

**Reserved**

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**FRIDAY,  
APRIL 21, 2023**

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**CHAIR: SENATOR ANGEL L. BOLQUES, JR.  
VICE CHAIR: SENATOR MARVIN A. BLYDEN**

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**Committee on Culture, Youth, Aging,  
Sports, and Parks  
10:00 A.M.  
Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall**

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The Committee on Culture, Youth, Aging, Sports, and Parks has scheduled a hearing for **Friday, April 21, 2023**, at **10:00 AM** at the **Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall** on **St. Thomas** to receive testimony and updates regarding the progress and challenges of the Department of Sports, Parks & Recreation concerning their projects and their mission to provide high-quality, accessible programs, services, and facilities that enhance the quality of life for all ages, cultures, and abilities, as well as an overview and updates from the Department of Tourism regarding the upcoming cultural celebration of the 2023 St. Thomas Carnival.

**BLOCK I:**

**10:00 A.M. – 12:30 P.M.**

Updates and overview of the Department of Sports, Parks & Recreation pertinent to their progress and challenges concerning their projects and providing high-quality, accessible programs, services, and facilities that enhance the quality of life for all ages, cultures, and abilities, (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities & Threats). Additionally, provide an update on the department's role during the cultural celebration of the 2023 St. Thomas Carnival.

**Invited Testifier:**

**The Honorable Calvert White**, Commissioner, Department of Sports, Parks & Recreation

**LUNCH**

**12:30 P.M. - 1:00 P.M.**

**BLOCK II****1:00 P.M. - 3:00 P.M.**

Update on the cultural celebration of the 2023 St. Thomas Carnival, the roles of the Division of Festivals, and the Cultural Heritage Institute during the 2023 Carnival celebration. This update will include but is not limited to, a comprehensive overview of their functions, tasks, deliverables, timelines, goals, projections, and how they plan to implement cultural inclusivity for the 2023 St. Thomas Carnival.

**Invited Testifiers:**

**The Honorable Joseph Boschulte**, Commissioner, Virgin Islands Department of Tourism

**Mr. Ian Turnbull**, Director, Division of Festivals, Virgin Islands Department of Tourism

**The Members of the Cultural Heritage Institute**

**MONDAY,  
APRIL 24, 2023**

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

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

The Committee on Housing, Transportation, and Telecommunication has scheduled a hearing for **Monday, April 24, 2023**, at **9:30 A.M.** at the **Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall** on **St. Thomas** to receive Telecommunications Update on status and future of provider operations and services, status of broadband implementation and future of telecommunications in the territory.

**BLOCK I**

Telecommunications Update on status and future of provider operations and services, status of broadband implementation and future of telecommunications in the territory.

**Invited Testifiers:**

**The Honorable Derek Gabriel**, Commissioner, Department of Public Works

**Mr. Stephan Adams**, CEO, Virgin Islands Next Generation Network (viNGN)

**Mr. Rupert Ross**, Director, V.I. Bureau of Information Technology

**Mr. Bala Balakrishnan**, General Manager, Liberty Mobile VI

**Ms. Geraldine Pitt**, CEO, Viya, Inc.

**Mr. Mark Hodge**, Legal Counsel, T-Mobile, Virgin Islands

**LUNCH****12:30 P.M. - 1:00 P.M.****BLOCK II****1:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.**

An update on public transportation and on road construction and repairs from the Department of Public Works.

**Invited Testifier:**

**The Honorable Derek Gabriel**, Commissioner, Department of Public Works

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**TUESDAY,  
APRIL 25, 2023**

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

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

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The Committee on Government Operations, Veterans Affairs, and Consumer Protection has scheduled a meeting for **10:00 a.m.** on **Tuesday, April 25, 2023** in the **Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall** in **St. Thomas**. The purpose of the meeting is to receive and consider the following legislative measures:

**BLOCK I****10:00 A.M. - 11:30 A.M.**

The Committee will receive testimony concerning:

**Bill No. [35-0016](#)**

A Resolution honoring and commending the Board of Elections; the Supervisor of Elections, Caroline Fawkes, and the entire Virgin Islands Election System team for their tireless service and contributions to the Virgin Islands community and on the occasion of the 60th Anniversary of the establishment of the Election System of the Virgin Islands.

**Invited Testifiers:**

**Mr. John Abramson**, Resident

**Ms. Claudette Georges**, Resident

**Ms. Alecia M. Wells**, Chair, Virgin Islands Board of Elections

**Ms. Caroline Fawkes**, Supervisor, Election System of the Virgin Islands

**BLOCK II****11:30 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.**

The Committee will receive testimony concerning:

**Bill No. [35-0027](#)**

An Act honoring and commending Mr. Myron Corbett posthumously for his many contributions to the youth of the Territory; renaming the basketball court located in Anna's Retreat, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands as "The Myron Corbett Basketball Court"; making an appropriation to erect signage at the basketball court; and for other related purposes.

**Invited Testifiers:**

**Ms. Shayla Solomon**, Resident

**Mr. Kaylen Gregory**, Resident

**Mr. Omari Peterkin**, Resident

**BLOCK III****2:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.**

The Committee will receive testimony on the operations of the Virgin Islands Lottery including but not limited to enabling law and jurisdiction, current department challenges, and plan of action to resolve challenges.

**Invited Testifier:**

**Mr. Raymond Williams**, Executive Director, Virgin Islands Lottery

**WEDNESDAY,  
APRIL 26, 2023**

**Carnival Food Fair Day**

**Reserved**

**THURSDAY,  
APRIL 27, 2023**

**Carnival J'ouvert**

**Reserved**

**FRIDAY,  
APRIL 28, 2023**

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**Carnival Children's Parade Day**

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**Reserved**

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