

35th Legislature of the Virgin Islands **REVISED I SENATE CALENDAR** April 17, 2023 – April 28, 2023

MONDAY, APRIL 17, 2023

CONSTITUENT MEETINGS AND OFFICE WORK

Reserved

TUESDAY, APRIL 18, 2023

CONSTITUENT MEETINGS AND OFFICE WORK

Reserved

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.

Frits E. Lawaetz Legislative Conference Room

Please be advised that the Committee on Homeland Security, Justice, and Public Safety has scheduled a legislative committee hearing for 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, April 19, 2023, in the Frits E. Lawaetz Legislative Conference Room, on St. Croix. The Committee is expected to receive overview testimony from the following departments and agencies:

BLOCK I 10:00 A.M.

The committee will receive overview testimony, from the Law Enforcement Planning Commission and the Virgin Islands Office of Highway Safety regarding, yet not limited to, updates on the Office's and Commission's operations, capital projects, and initiatives.

Invited Testifiers:

Angela Lloyd-Campbell, Director, Law Enforcement Planning Commission **Daphne O'Neal**, Director V.I. Office of Highway Safety

LUNCH 12:00 P.M. – 1:00 P.M.

BLOCK II 1:00 P.M.

The committee will receive overview testimony, from the Virgin Islands Police Department regarding, yet not limited to, updates on the Department's operations, capital projects, initiatives, disaster recovery, deployment strategies, and training and recruitment efforts.

Invited Testifier:

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

THURSDAY, APRIL 20, 2023

CONSTITUENT MEETINGS AND OFFICE WORK

Reserved

FRIDAY, APRIL 21, 2023

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

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

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.

An overview and updates of AARP Virgin Islands, as well as challenges and progress concerning programs under AARP such as, but not limited to Health and Wellness, Family Caregiving, Seniors Work and Jobs, Community Engagement, and an overall update of the AARP foundation.

Invited Testifier:

Troy Schuster, State Director, AARP Virgin Islands

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.

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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

TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 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

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, Former Supervisor, Election Systems of the Virgin Islands

Ms. Claudette Georges, Former Board Member, Virgin Islands Board of Elections

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

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

Mr. Keith Richards, Former Board Member, Virgin Islands Board of Elections

Ms. Lorna Thomas, Former Board Member, Virgin Islands Board of Elections

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

The Committee will receive testimony concerning:

Bill No. <u>35-0027</u>

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 1:00 P.M. - 2:30 P.M.

The Committee will receive testimony concerning:

Bill No. 35-0062

A Resolution honoring and commending Gregory Hodge, b.k.a. DJ Avalanche for his outstanding contributions as a disk jockey, radio talk show host, and entertainer and presenting to him the Official Key to the Virgin Islands.

Invited Testifiers:

Mr. Ian Turnbull, Director, Divisions of Festivals

Mr. Rikky Baynes, Operations Manager, Smiths Ferry

Mr. Gregory Hodge, DJ Avalanche

LUNCH 2:30 P.M. – 3:00 P.M.

BLOCK IV 3:00 P.M. – 5:00 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:

Reserved

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

Carnival Children's Parade Day