



35th Legislature of the Virgin Islands
SENATE CALENDAR
February 27, 2023 – March 10, 2023

MONDAY,
FEBRUARY 27, 2023

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

**Committee on Housing,
Transportation, and Telecommunications**
9:30 A.M.
Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall

BLOCK I

9:35 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.

The Committee will receive updates from government and non-profit agencies on homelessness.

Invited Testifiers:

The Honorable Kimberley Causey-Gomez, Commissioner, Department of Human Services
Attorney Richard Bourne-Vanneck, Board Chairman, Catholic Charities of the Virgin Islands
Ms. Andrea Shillingford, Executive Director, Catholic Charities of the Virgin Islands
Ms. Erma Chase-Derima, Executive Director, Methodist Training and Outreach Center, Inc.

BLOCK II

11:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

The Committee will receive updates on the residential market, financing, and the newly established VI Slice Program.

Invited Testifiers:

Mrs. Gwendolyn Brady, Director, Division of Banks, Insurance & Financial Regulation, Office of the Lt. Governor
Mr. James Crites, President, Virgin Islands Bankers' Association
Mr. Martin Lauzze, President, Virgin Islands Territorial Association of Realtors
Ms. Kimme Bryce, Area Director | Area VII US Virgin Islands, U.S. Department of Agriculture
Mr. Wayne L. Biggs, Chief Executive Officer, Virgin Islands Economic Development Authority

LUNCH

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

BLOCK III**1:30 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.**

The Committee will receive updates from the V.I. Housing Authority and the V.I. Housing Finance Authority on affordable housing, public housing communities and programs, and the status of home repair programs and the Emergency Rental Assistance Program.

Invited Testifiers:

Mr. Robert A. Graham, Executive Director, Virgin Islands Housing Authority

Ms. Dayna M. Clendinen, Interim Executive Director, Virgin Islands Housing Finance Authority

**TUESDAY,
FEBRUARY 28, 2023**

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

**Committee on Government Operations,
Veterans Affairs, and Consumer Protection**

9:00 A.M.

Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall

BLOCK I**9:00 A.M. – 10:30 A.M.**

The Committee will receive testimony concerning:

Bill No. [35-0006](#)

An Act honoring and commending former Senator George E. Goodwin for his many years of expansive contributions to the Virgin Islands community as a whole, through his roles in various areas of service to the territory as well as advocacy for social justice for underserved people in the Virgin Islands; to rename the Cricket Field located on Parcel H of Tract 1, Estate Nazareth, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands in his honor; and to award former Senator George E. Goodwin the Virgin Islands Medal of Honor; and for other related purposes.

Invited Testifiers:

The Honorable Donna Christiansen, Former Virgin Islands Delegate to Congress

The Honorable Tregenza Roach, Esq., Lt. Governor of the U.S.V.I.

The Honorable Roosevelt St. C. David, Former Senator

Mr. Anthony Greene, Chairman, East End Democratic Club

Mr. Doyle Jones, President, St. Thomas Cricket Association

Mr. St. Clair Goodwin, Resident

Mr. Gregory Goodwin, Resident

Mr. Calvert Gibson, Resident

Mr. Alton Grant, Resident

Rev. Dr. Bentley Thomas, Pastor, Bethel Missionary Baptist Church

BLOCK II**10:30 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.**

The Committee will receive testimony concerning:

Bill No. [35-0009](#) An Act amending title 1 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 11, section 171(a) relating to the observance of national holidays and enacting The Juneteenth National Independence Day Act to declare June 19 a legal holiday in the Virgin Islands.

Invited Testifiers:

The Honorable Myron D. Jackson, Former Senator

Ms. Cindy Richardson, Director, Division of Personnel

The Committee will receive testimony concerning:

Bill No. [35-0011](#) An Act honoring and commending former Senator Horace A. Callwood, Sr. posthumously for his dedication, service, and commitment to the people of the Virgin Islands and naming the north-south street immediately east of Windward Passage in his memory.

Invited Testifiers:

The Honorable Stedmann Hodge, Jr., Former Senator & State Chair of the Democratic Party of the V.I.

Ms. Chaneel Callwood-Daniels, Resident

Mr. James O’Bryan, Jr., Former State Chair, Democratic Party of the Virgin Islands

Mr. Eduardo Carneiro, Chair, Horace Callwood Breakfast Club

BLOCK III**12:00 P.M. – 1:30 P.M.**

The Committee will receive testimony concerning:

Bill No. [35-0007](#) A Resolution honoring and commending Mr. Boyd “Boyzie” Orlanzo Todman for his many contributions to the people and the youth of the Virgin Islands.

Invited Testifiers:

The Honorable Allison Petrus, Former Senator

Mr. Orville Isaac, Resident

Mr. Boyd “Boyzie” Orlanzo Todman, Resident

Mr. Terrence Lake, Resident

Mr. Arthur Solomon, Resident

Mr. Jaime Francis, Resident

LUNCH**1:30 P.M. – 2:00 P.M.**

BLOCK IV**2:00 P.M. – 3:30 P.M.**

The Committee will receive testimony on the operations of the Virgin Island Taxicab Commission to include but not limited to enabling law and jurisdiction, current agency challenges and plan of action to resolve challenges.

Invited Testifiers:

Ms. Vernice Gumbs, Executive Director, Virgin Islands Taxicab Commission

Ms. Loretta Lloyd, Chair, Virgin Islands Taxicab Commission

BLOCK V**3:30 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.**

The Committee will receive testimony on the operations of the Department of Property and Procurement to include but not limited to enabling law and jurisdiction, current agency challenges and plan of action to resolve challenges.

Invited Testifier:

Ms. Lisa Alejandro, Acting Commissioner, Department of Property and Procurement

**WEDNESDAY,
MARCH 01, 2023**

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

**Committee on Health, Hospitals,
and Human Services**

10:00 A.M.

Frits E. Lawaetz Legislative Conference Room

The Committee on Health, Hospitals & Human will be conducting a hearing on **Wednesday, March 1, 2023**, at **10:00 A.M.** in the **Frits E. Lawaetz Legislative Conference Room** on the island of **St. Croix**. The Committee is meeting to hear operational updates from the following:

BLOCK I:

10:00 A.M. — 1:00 P.M.

Juan F. Luis Hospital - North

Invited Testifiers:

Mr. Christopher E. Finch, Chairman, Virgin Islands Government Health, and Hospitals Corporation

Mr. Douglas Koch, Chief Executive Officer, Juan F. Luis Hospital

Mr. Darryl A. Smalls, Executive Director of Facilities & Corporate Development, Territorial Hospital Redevelopment Team

LUNCH

1:00 P.M. — 1:30 P.M.

BLOCK II:

1:30 P.M. — 2:30 P.M.

Frederiksted Healthcare, Inc.

Invited Testifier:

Mrs. Masserae Sprauve-Webster, Chief Executive Director, Frederiksted Healthcare, Inc.

**THURSDAY,
MARCH 02, 2023**

CONSTITUENT MEETINGS AND OFFICE WORK

Reserved

**FRIDAY,
MARCH 03, 2023**

CONSTITUENT MEETINGS AND OFFICE WORK

Reserved

**MONDAY,
MARCH 06, 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**

**TUESDAY,
MARCH 07, 2023**

CONSTITUENT MEETINGS AND OFFICE WORK

Reserved

**WEDNESDAY,
MARCH 08, 2023**

**CHAIR: SENATOR JAVAN E. JAMES, SR.
VICE CHAIR: SENATOR ANGEL L. BOLQUES, JR.**

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

**THURSDAY,
MARCH 09, 2023**

**CHAIR: SENATOR DIANE T. CAPEHART
VICE CHAIR: SENATOR MILTON E. POTTER**

**Committee on Rules and Judiciary
9:00 A.M.
Frits E. Lawaetz Legislative Conference Room**

**FRIDAY,
MARCH 10, 2023**

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

**The Committee of the Whole
10:00 A.M.
Frits E. Lawaetz Legislative Conference Room**
