



36th Legislature of the Virgin Islands
SENATE CALENDAR
April 21, 2025 – May 02, 2025

MONDAY,
APRIL 21, 2025

EASTER MONDAY

Holiday

TUESDAY,
APRIL 22, 2025

CHAIR: SENATOR RAY FONSECA
VICE CHAIR: SENATOR HUBERT L. FREDERICK

Committee on Health,
Hospitals and Human Services
10:00 A.M.
Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall

The Committee on Health, Hospitals & Human Services will be conducting a meeting on **Tuesday, April 22, 2025, at 10:00 a.m., in the Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall, on St. Thomas.**

BLOCK I

10:00 A.M. - 11:30 A.M.

The members of the committee will receive an overview and mitigation plan from the Department of Health relative to the following diseases in the territory; Hand Foot and Mouth, Measles, Covid, and Flu.

Invited Testifier:

Honorable Justa Encarnacion, Commissioner, Department of Health

BLOCK II

11:40 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

Bill No. [36-0021](#)

An Act amending title 19 Virgin Islands Code, part III, chapter 29, subchapter I relating to opioids and requiring that a practitioner discuss certain information with a patient when prescribing opioids

Invited Testifiers:

Honorable Justa Encarnacion, Commissioner, Department of Health

Honorable Gordon C. Rhea, Attorney General, Department of Justice

Mr. Frank Odium, MD, Chairman, Virgin Islands Medical Examiners

BLOCK III**1:45 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.**

Bill No. [36-0035](#) An Act amending title 15 Virgin Islands Code, article V to allow the Government of the Virgin Islands to implement the federal mandate of the Stephen J. Beck, Jr., Achieving Better Life Experiences, which provides for the establishment of savings accounts for persons with disabilities

Invited Testifiers:**Honorable Kevin McCurdy**, Commissioner Department of Finance**Hinda Carbon**, Executive Director, Virgin Islands Bar**Mr. Angus Drigo**, Executive Director, Disability Rights Center of the Virgin Islands**Mr. Christopher Finch**, Former Chairman, Virgin Islands Government Health and Hospitals Corporation**Mr. Julien Henley, Sr.**, ADA Coordinator, Office of the Governor**Mr. Troy Schuster**, Virgin Islands State Director, American Association of Retired Persons

WEDNESDAY,
APRIL 23, 2025

CHAIR: SENATOR MARVIN A. BLYDEN**VICE CHAIR: SENATOR CLIFFORD A. JOSEPH, SR.**

**Committee on Housing, Transportation
and Telecommunications**

9:00 A.M.**Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall**

The Committee on Housing, Transportation and Telecommunications will meet on **Wednesday, April 23, 2025, at 9:00 a.m., in the Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall, on St. Thomas** to discuss the following:

Update and discussion on the current status of infrastructure projects and future development plans, with an emphasis on the strategic use of federal broadband funding. Topics include challenges in coordinating between telecommunications providers and government agencies—particularly around permitting, access to utility poles, conduits, and related infrastructure. Additional issues include inter-provider challenges, such as the portability of telephone numbers.

For public sector organizations, the discussion will address the status of efforts around interoperability, cybersecurity, and the management and upkeep of government websites and digital portals used for conducting official business and communicating with the public.

Invited Testifiers:**Honorable Derek Gabriel**, Commissioner, Department of Public Works**Ravindra Maywahlall**, Country Manager, Liberty, USVI**Karl Knight**, Chief Executive Officer, Virgin Islands Water & Power Authority**Attorney Ileann Canellas**, Managing Corporate Counsel, T-Mobile, Puerto Rico**Stephan Adams**, Chief Executive Officer, Virgin Islands Next Generation Network**Geraldine Pitt**, Chief Executive Officer, Viya**Julio Rhymer**, Director, Office of Management and Budget**Rupert Ross**, Director, Bureau of Information Technology

**THURSDAY,
APRIL 24, 2025**

**CHAIR: SENATOR CARLA J. JOSEPH
VICE CHAIR: SENATOR KENNETH L. GITTENS**

**Committee on Rules and Judiciary
10:00 A.M.
Frits E. Lawaetz Legislative Conference Room**

The 36th Legislature of the Virgin Islands Committee on Rules and Judiciary has scheduled a hearing for 10:00 a.m. on **Thursday, April 24, 2025** in the **Frits E. Lawaetz Legislative Conference Room on St. Croix**. The purpose of the meeting is to receive testimony and consider the following legislative measures:

BLOCK I**10:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.****The Honorable Jessica Gallivan**

Governor's Renomination as Judge, Superior Court of the Virgin Islands (St. Croix District)

LUNCH**12:00 P.M. – 1:00 P.M.**

BLOCK II

1:00 P.M. – 2:30 P.M.

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| Bill No. 36-0005 | An Act amending title 16 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 2, section 99 establishing a mandatory minimum bail amount in domestic violence cases. |
| Bill No. 36-0036 | An Act repealing and reenacting title 20 Virgin Islands Code, part II, chapter 43, section 512 increasing penalties for traffic violations; establishing a Virgin Islands Police Department Impound Lot; and for other related purposes. |

**FRIDAY,
APRIL 25, 2025**

CONSTITUENT MEETINGS AND OFFICE WORK

Reserved

**MONDAY,
APRIL 28, 2025**

CONSTITUENT MEETINGS AND OFFICE WORK

Reserved

**TUESDAY,
APRIL 29, 2025**

CONSTITUENT MEETINGS AND OFFICE WORK

Reserved

**WEDNESDAY,
APRIL 30, 2025**

CARNIVAL FOOD FAIR DAY

Reserved

**THURSDAY,
MAY 01, 2025**

CARNIVAL J'OUVERT

Reserved

**FRIDAY,
MAY 02, 2025**

CARNIVAL CHILDREN'S PARADE DAY

Reserved
