

35<sup>th</sup> Legislature of the Virgin Islands REVISED I - SENATE CALENDAR April 22, 2024 – May 03, 2024

MONDAY, APRIL 22, 2024

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

Perma Plaque Ceremony 10:00 A.M. Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall

TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 2024

# 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 23, 2024 in the Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall on St. Thomas. The purpose of the meeting is to receive testimony and consider the following legislative measures:

### **BLOCK I**

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

The Committee will receive testimony concerning:

**Bill No.** <u>35-0230</u> An Act repealing section 11 of Act No. 6570, as amended, and amending title 20 Virgin Islands Code related to the inspection and licensing of automobiles for hire.

#### **Invited Testifiers:**

Mrs. Barbara Jackson-McIntosh, Director, Virgin Islands Bureau of Motor Vehicles
Ms. Vernice M. Gumbs, Executive Director, Virgin Islands Taxicab Commission
Mr. Willis Pinney, President, AAA Taxi and Tours
Mr. Dihony LaLanne, President, St. Thomas Taxi Services
Mr. Kerry Harrigan, President, Best Taxi Services
Mr. Shawn Claxton, President, St. John Taxi Services
Mr. Kelly George, Owner, Kellie's Taxi Services
Mr. Lawrence Ramdhansingh, President, Virgin Islands Taxi Association
Mr. Mervin Smith, President, East End Taxicab Association
Mr. Francis Arthur, President, St. Croix Taxicab Association
Mrs. Elizabeth Hansen-Watley, Interim Chair, Virgin Islands Taxicab Commission Board

#### **BLOCK II**

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

The Committee will receive testimony concerning:

**Bill No.** <u>35-0236</u> An Act amending title 3 Virgin Islands Code adding a new chapter 33A to enact the "21<sup>st</sup> Century Integrated Digital Experience Act (IDEA)" to improve governmental agency digital services, and for other purposes

#### **Invited Testifiers:**

Mr. Rupert O. Ross, Director, Virgin Islands Bureau of Information Technology
 Mr. Julien Henley, ADA Coordinator, Government of the Virgin Islands
 Mr. Angus Drigo, Executive Director, Disability Rights Center of the Virgin Islands
 Mr. Stephan Adams, CEO/President, Virgin Islands Next Generation Network

LUNCH	1:00 P.M. – 2:00 P.M.
BLOCK III	2:00 P.M. – 3:30 P.M.

The Committee will receive testimony concerning:

**Bill No.** <u>35-0193</u> An Act amending title 27 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 15 relating to real estate brokers, sales associates, and property managers.

Invited Testifiers: Ms. Laurent Alfred, Esq., Chair, Virgin Islands Real Estate Commission Mr. Dan Savaro, President, Virgin Islands Territorial Association of Realtors Ms. Ava Gail Bourdon, President-Principal Broker, RE/MAX St. Croix Mr. Carl Gotts, Vice President, Vacation St. Croix Ms. Marjorie Whalen, Esq., President, Virgin Islands Bar Association Honorable H. Nathalie Hodge, Commissioner, Virgin Islands Department of Licensing and Consumer Affairs Mr. B.J. Harris, Vice-Chair, V.I. Department of Licensing and Consumer Affairs

## WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24, 2024

## 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

Pursuant to the 35<sup>th</sup> Legislature's Rule 309 (c)(2), the Committee on Budget, Appropriations and Finance will hold an emergency meeting on Wednesday, April 24, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. in the Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall, on St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands.

The Committee will receive testimony on the current financial crisis of the V.I. Water and Power Authority resulting in territory-wide power outages.

### Invited Testifiers:

Mr. Andrew Smith, Chief Executive Officer, V.I. Water and Power Authority
Ms. Jenifer O'Neal, Director, V.I. Office of Management and Budget
Honorable Kevin McCurdy, Commissioner, V.I. Department of Finance
Ms. Tina Commissiong, Esq., Chief Executive Officer, Governor Roy L. Schneider Hospital and Medical Center
Mr. Douglas Koch, Chief Executive Officer, Governor Juan F. Luis Hospital and Medical Center
Mr. Roger Merritt, Chief Executive Officer, V.I. Waste Management Authority

THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 2024

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

Emergency Legislative Session 10:00 A.M. Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall

FRIDAY, APRIL 26, 2024

# **CONSTITUENT MEETINGS AND OFFICE WORK**

Reserved

MONDAY, APRIL 29, 2024

## **CONSTITUENT MEETINGS AND OFFICE WORK**

Reserved

TUESDAY, APRIL 30, 2024

## **CONSTITUENT MEETINGS AND OFFICE WORK**

Reserved

WEDNESDAY, MAY 01, 2024

**Carnival Food Fair Day** 

**Carnival J'ouvert** 

Reserved

THURSDAY, MAY 02, 2024

Reserved

FRIDAY, MAY 03, 2024

Carnival Children's Parade Day

Reserved