



35th Legislature of the Virgin Islands
SENATE CALENDAR
August 21, 2023 – September 01, 2023

**MONDAY,
AUGUST 21, 2023**

CONSTITUENT MEETINGS AND OFFICE WORK

Reserved

**TUESDAY,
AUGUST 22, 2023**

CONSTITUENT MEETINGS AND OFFICE WORK

Reserved

**WEDNESDAY,
AUGUST 23, 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 Wednesday, August 23, 2023 in the Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall in 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 on the operations of the Virgin Islands Department of Property and Procurement including but not limited to enabling law and jurisdiction, current department challenges, and plan of action to resolve challenges.

Invited Testifier:

Mrs. Lisa Alejandro, Commissioner Designee, V.I. Department of Property and Procurement

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

The Committee will receive testimony concerning:

Bill No. [35-0014](#) An Act posthumously honoring and commending Wayne “Facts Man” Adams for articulating and bringing events of historic significance to the people of the Virgin Islands, by naming the bridge at the Nadir intersection on the islands of St. Thomas the Wayne “Facts Man” Adams Bridge.

Invited Testifiers:

The Honorable Liston Davis, Former Senator

Mr. Glen “Kwabena” Davis, Resident

Mr. Ulric Ferrari, Resident

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. [35-0074](#) An Act honoring and commending former Senator Almando “Rocky” Liburd for his lifetime of service to the people of the Virgin Islands especially St. John and renaming the North Shore Road on St. John “The Almando “Rocky” Liburd Highway.

Invited Testifiers:

The Honorable Vargrave Richards, Former Lt. Governor

The Honorable Neville James, Former Senator

Dr. Margaret Sprauve, Resident

Mr. Rudolph E. Krigger, Jr., Resident

Mr. Rick Augustus, Resident

Dr. Malik Sekou, PhD., Professor, University of the Virgin Islands

Mrs. Anecia Sewer, Resident

**THURSDAY,
AUGUST 24, 2023**

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

**Committee on Housing,
Transportation, and Telecommunications
2:00 P.M.
Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall**

The Committee on Housing, Transportation and Telecommunications has scheduled a meeting for **2:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 24, 2023 in the Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall in St. Thomas**. The purpose of the meeting is to receive testimony on the following legislative measure:

BLOCK I

2:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.

Update and discussion on the Virgin Islands Housing Authority's 2024 Annual Plan in advance of the September 5, 2023 deadline for public comment.

Invited Testifier:

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

**FRIDAY,
AUGUST 25, 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.
Frits E. Lawaetz Legislative Conference Room**

The Committee on Culture, Youth, Aging, Sports, and Parks has scheduled a hearing for **Friday, August 25, 2023, 10:00 AM** at the **Frits E. Lawaetz Legislative Conference Room on St. Croix** to receive testimony and updates regarding the 175th Emancipation Commemoration Committee and horse racing in the territory. Bills 35-0073 & 35-0083 will also be presented to the Committee for consideration.

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

Testimony and updates from the 175th Emancipation Commemoration Committee. Specifically, their report on this year's celebration to include triumphs, failures, improvements, budget, expenditures, etc. To receive updates on the archival and digitization process and projects currently underway. The committee would like to know what the plan will be for rest of this year and what needs the ECC has identified to assist in expanding the celebration and awareness.

Invited Testifiers:

The Honorable Carol Burke, Chairwoman, 175th Emancipation Commemoration Committee

The Honorable Myron Jackson, Former Senator & Board Member

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

The committee will be receiving updates on the status of horse racing in the territory. This update will include, but not be limited to facilities construction, funding allocations, projected timelines, achievements, challenges, potential opportunities, and prevailing needs.

Invited Testifiers:

The Honorable Calvert White, Commissioner, VI Sports, Parks, and Recreation

Robert E. Huckabee, III, President and CEO, Southland Gaming

Shaine Gaspard, Executive Vice President, Southland Gaming

Elroy Bates, Jr., President, Flamboyant Park Horsemen Association

Hugo Hodge, Jr., Chairman, USVI Horseracing Commission

Jason Williams, General Manager, Racing Operations, VIGL Operations, LLC

Andrew Dubuque, CFO/Managing Partner, VIGL Operations, LLC

Clinton Hedrington, President, St. Thomas Horsemen Association

Betty Wilson, Former Member, USVI Horseracing Commission

Jay Watson, Former Member, USVI Horseracing Commission

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

The committee will be receiving testimony on following bills presented for consideration:

Bill No. [35-0073](#) An Act amending title 32 of the Virgin Islands Code to establish powers and duties for the horse racing commissions for each district and relating to antidoping of race horses to provide for regulation by district and joint horse racing commissions

Bill No. [35-0083](#) An Act amending title 32 of the Virgin Islands Code, chapter 11, subchapter I, section 201 to establish separate horse racing commissions for each district

Invited Testifiers:

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MONDAY,**AUGUST 28, 2023**

CHAIR: SENATOR DONNA A. FRETT-GREGORY
VICE CHAIR: SENATOR NOVELLE E. FRANCIS, JR.

**Committee on Budget, Appropriations,
and Finance**

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

The 35th Legislature's Committee on Budget, Appropriations and Finance will meet Monday, August 28, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. in the Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall on St. Thomas, Virgin Islands.

**TUESDAY,
AUGUST 29, 2023**

**CHAIR: SENATOR DONNA A. FRETT-GREGORY
VICE CHAIR: SENATOR NOVELLE E. FRANCIS, JR.**

**Committee on Budget, Appropriations,
and Finance
9:00 A.M.
Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall**

The 35th Legislature's Committee on Budget, Appropriations and Finance will meet Tuesday, August 29, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. in the Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall on St. Thomas, Virgin Islands.

**WEDNESDAY,
AUGUST 30, 2023**

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

**Committee on Housing,
Transportation, and Telecommunications
6:00 P.M.
TRI-ISLAND TOWN HALL MEETING
Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall
Cleone H. Creque Legislative Conference Room
Frits E. Lawaetz Legislative Conference Room**

**THURSDAY,
AUGUST 31, 2023**

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

**Committee on Rules and Judiciary
9:30 A.M.
Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall**

The Committee on Rules and Judiciary has scheduled a meeting for **Thursday, August 31, 2023, at 9:30 AM** in the **Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands** to consider Nominations.

BLOCK I

9:30 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

Lionel E. Selwood, Nominee
Virgin Islands Water and Power Authority Board of Directors

Clement “Cain” Magras, Nominee
Virgin Islands Public Services Commission – District of St. Thomas

Laura Nichols-Samms, Nominee **(TENTATIVE)**
Virgin Islands Public Services Commission – District of St. John

LUNCH

12:00 P.M. – 12:30 P.M.

BLOCK II

1:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.

Angel E. Dawson, Jr., Administrator Nominee
Government Employees Retirement System

**FRIDAY,
SEPTEMBER 01, 2023**

OFFICE OF THE SENATE PRESIDENT

Reserved
