



35th Legislature of the Virgin Islands
SENATE CALENDAR
June 19, 2023 – June 30, 2023

**MONDAY,
JUNE 19, 2023**

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Holiday

**TUESDAY,
JUNE 20, 2023**

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

**Committee on Budget, Appropriations,
and Finance**
9:00 A.M.
Frits E. Lawaetz Legislative Conference Room

The 35th Legislature's Committee on Budget, Appropriations and Finance will meet Tuesday, June 20, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. in the Frits E. Lawaetz Legislative Conference Room on St. Croix, Virgin Islands.

9:00 AM	Department of Licensing & Consumer Affairs Honorable Richard T. Evangelista, Esq., Commissioner
12:00 PM	Lunch
12:30 PM	V.I. Bureau of Internal Revenue Mr. Joel Lee, Director

**WEDNESDAY,
JUNE 21, 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

The Committee on Economic Development and Agriculture of the 35th Legislature will commence a hearing on Wednesday, June 21, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. in the Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall on St. Thomas, Virgin Islands.

BLOCK I

10:00 A.M.

The Committee will receive an update on the status of The University of the Virgin Islands Research and Technology Park (RT Park) programs.

Invited Testifier:

Mr. Peter Chapman, Chief Executive Officer, U.V.I Research and Technology Park (RT Park)

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12:30 P.M. – 1:00 P.M.

BLOCK II

1:00 P.M. – 3:00 P.M.

The Committee will receive an update status from the Virgin Islands Department of Planning & Natural Resources operations and funding. Additionally, the committee will also receive a status update from the Division of Fish and Wildlife to include the farming and fishing industries.

Invited Testifiers:

Honorable Jean-Pierre Oriol, Commissioner, Department of Planning and Natural Resources

Nicole F. Angeli, PhD, Director, Division of Fish and Wildlife, DPNR

**THURSDAY,
JUNE 22, 2023**

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

**Committee on Homeland Security, Justice,
and Public Safety**

10:00 A.M.

Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall

Please be advised that the Committee on Homeland Security, Justice, and Public Safety has scheduled a legislative committee hearing for 10 a.m. Thursday, June 22, 2023, in the the Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall, located on St. Thomas, V.I. The Committee is expected to hear testimony and have discussion on bills that fall under the jurisdiction of this committee and were assigned to the committee for proper vetting.

BLOCK I

10:00 A.M.

Bill No. [35-0035](#) An Act amending title 20 Virgin Islands Code, part II, chapter 39 section 436 (b), expanding the definition of “disabled veteran” for the purposes of eligibility for a handicapped window decal.

Invited Testifiers:

Patrick D. Farrell, Director, Office of Veterans Affairs

Barbara Jackson-McIntosh, Director, Bureau of Motor Vehicles

Bill No. [35-0046](#) An Act amending title 20 Virgin Islands Code, part II, chapter 43, subchapter I to establish parking for expectant mothers or mothers with newborns.

Invited Testifiers:

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

Barbara Jackson-McIntosh, Director, Bureau of Motor Vehicles

Dr. Margaret E. Sprauve, MD, Physician, Obstetrics & Gynecology

BLOCK II**1:00 P.M.**

Bill No. [35-0045](#) An Act amending title 5 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 407 relating to eligibility for parole by adding section 4601a to establish Medical Parole as a basis for parole; further amending title 5 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 407 by adding section 4601b to establish Geriatric Parole as a basis for parole and for other related purposes.

Invited Testifiers:

Dennis Howell, Chairman, V.I. Parole Board
Chesley Roebuck, Vice-Chair, V.I. Parole Board
Bentley Thomas, Member, V.I. Parole Board
Dr. Linda Callwood, MD, Medical Director, V.I. Bureau of Corrections

**FRIDAY,
 JUNE 23, 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.

Cleone H. Creque Legislative Conference Room

The Committee on Culture, Youth, Aging, Sports, and Parks has scheduled a hearing for Friday, June 23, 2023, 10:00 A.M. at the Cleone H. Creque Legislative Conference Room on St. John to receive testimony and updates regarding youth programs and initiatives from Department of Human Services, Department of Labor, Virgin Islands Police Department, Department of Justice, Virgin Islands Fire & Emergency Medical Services, as well as being introduced to key stakeholders who are promoting and facilitating aviation careers to our youth. The committee will also consider Bill No. 35-0078 – a bill to require the Commissioner of the Department of Tourism to conduct a territory wide survey of the residents of the Virgin Islands to assist in the establishment of an official dish and dessert of the Virgin Islands.

BLOCK I**10:00 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.**

Bill No. [35-0078](#) A bill to require the Commissioner of the Department of Tourism to conduct a territory wide survey of the residents of the Virgin Islands to assist in the establishment of an official dish and dessert of the Virgin Islands.

Invited Testifiers:

Honorable Joseph Boschulte, Commissioner, Virgin Islands Department of Tourism
Sandra Gerard-Leung, Ambassadorial Chef
Digby Stridiron, Ambassadorial Chef
Julius Jackson, Ambassadorial Chef
Taj Siwatu, Ambassadorial Chef

BLOCK II**11:30 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.**

Testimony and information regarding programs and initiatives that introduce young people to the aviation industry, and particularly, to consider a career path as a private or commercial pilot. Update on the Coral Wings program through UVI CELL that was established with the FAA Grant award in April of 2023. To receive stakeholder analysis of the pathways, obstacles, opportunities, deficiencies, and needs of their respective organizations, programs, and initiatives.

Invited Testifiers:**Makeda Dawson**, Founder, Love City Flight Club**Dior Parsons**, Founder, Society 340**Justin Bartosh**, Pilot and Instructor, UflyUVI & Standard Aviation**Suzanne Darrow-Magras**, Director, UVI CELL**BLOCK III****1:00 P.M. – 4:00 P.M.**

Testimony and updates on the status of youth programs and youth initiatives from Department of Human Services' Youth and Aging Services & Programs such as your Intervention & Prevention Services, Head start Programs, Youth Rehabilitation Centers (in collaboration with DOJ), Foster Care, Senior Living Centers, and Senior Recreation Centers. Also, the Department of Labor's Summer Youth Work Experience Program (SYWEP), Labor Investing For Tomorrow (LIFT) Internship Program, the Career Exploration Program, Jobs for America Graduates (JAG), and the Senior Community Services Employment Program (SCSEP) and any other services or programs that the department offers for the youth and aging (elderly) population.

Invited Testifiers:**Honorable Kimberly Causey-Gomez**, Commissioner, Virgin Islands Department of Human Services**Honorable Gary Molloy**, Commissioner, Virgin Islands Department of Labor

**MONDAY,
JUNE 26, 2023**

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

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

9:00 A.M.**Frits E. Lawaetz Legislative Conference Room**

The 35th Legislature's Committee on Budget, Appropriations and Finance will meet Monday, June 26, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. in the Frits E. Lawaetz Legislative Conference Room on St. Croix, Virgin Islands.

9:00 AM **Bureau of Information Technology**
Rupert O. Ross, Director

12:00 PM **Lunch**

12:30 PM **Bureau of Motor Vehicles**
Barbara Jackson-McIntosh, Director

2:30 PM **Elections System of the V.I.**
Caroline F. Fawkes, Supervisor

TUESDAY,
JUNE 27, 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, June 27, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. in the Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall on St. Thomas, Virgin Islands.

9:00 AM **V.I. Department of Planning and Natural Resources**
Honorable Jean-Pierre L. Oriol, Commissioner

VI Council on the Arts
VI Historic Preservation Committee

12:00 PM **Lunch**

12:30 PM **V.I. Police Department**
Honorable Ray Martinez, Commissioner

2:30 PM **Law Enforcement Planning Commission**
Angela Lloyd-Campbell, Director

**WEDNESDAY,
JUNE 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 Wednesday, June 28, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. in the Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall on St. Thomas, Virgin Islands.

9:00 AM **Department of Public Works**
Honorable Derek A. Gabriel, Commissioner

12:00 PM **Lunch**

12:30 PM **V.I. Waste Management**
Roger Merritt, Executive Director

**THURSDAY,
JUNE 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 Thursday, June 29, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. in the Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall on St. Thomas, Virgin Islands.

9:00 AM **Department of Labor**
Honorable Gary Molloy, Commissioner

12:00 PM **LUNCH**

12:30 PM **Division of Personnel**
Cindy L. Richardson, Director

Government Employees Service Commission

2:30 PM **Office of Collective Bargaining**
Joss Springette, Esq., Chief Negotiator

FRIDAY,
JUNE 30, 2023

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

The Committee of the Whole
10:00 A.M
Cleone H. Creque Legislative Conference Room
