



36th Legislature of the Virgin Islands

REVISED SENATE CALENDAR

June 23, 2025 – July 04, 2025

**MONDAY,
JUNE 23, 2025**

CHAIR: SENATOR AVERY L. LEWIS

VICE CHAIR: SENATOR NOVELLE E. FRANCIS, JR.

**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 **Monday, June 23, 2025, at 10:00 AM** in the Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands to provide updates on the following agencies:

BLOCK I

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

Bill No. [36-0090](#) An act amending title 1 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 11 by adding section 200m to declare the week beginning the Monday before the first Friday in June as the Virgin Islands Gun Violence Awareness Week.

Invited Testifiers:

Mr. Antonio Emanuel, Director, Office of Gun Violence Prevention

Honorable Mario M. Brooks, Commissioner, Virgin Islands Police Department

Bill No. [36-0097](#) A resolution commending the National Conference of State Legislatures ("NCSL") on its 50th anniversary and recognizing the NCSL for its commitment to the legislative institution.

BLOCK II

11:30 P.M. - 2:30 P.M.

Bill No. [36-0012](#) An Act amending title 3 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 27 to streamline the GERS disability annuity approval procedures and for other related issues.

Invited Testifiers:

Mr. Angel E. Dawson, Administrator, Government Employees Retirement System

Mr. Dwane Callwood, Board Chairman, Government Employees Retirement System

Bill No. [36-0066](#) An Act amending title 29 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 15 by adding a section 928a providing that all officials and employees of the Virgin Islands Public Finance Authority and its wholly owned subsidiaries must be members of the Government Employees

Invited Testifiers:

Mr. Angel E. Dawson, Administrator, Government Employees Retirement System

Mr. Dwane Callwood, Board Chairman, Government Employees Retirement System

Honorable Kevin McCurdy, Commissioner, VI Public Finance Authority

Mr. Nathan Simmonds, Director of Finance & Administration, Public Finance Authority

Mr. Stephan Adams, President & Chief Executive Officer, ViNGN

**TUESDAY,
JUNE 24, 2025**

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

**Committee on Budget,
Appropriations and Finance
10:00 A.M.**

Frits E. Lawaetz Legislative Conference Room

The Committee on Budget, Appropriations and Finance will meet on **Tuesday, June 24, 2025**, at **10:00 a.m.** in the **Frits E. Lawaetz Legislative Conference Room** to receive testimony on the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget.

BLOCK I

10:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

**VI Energy Office
Kyle Fleming, Director**

BLOCK II

1:00 P.M. - 3:00 P.M.

**VITEMA
Daryl Jaschen, Director**

BLOCK III

3:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.

**VIFEMS
Antonio Stevens, Director**

**WEDNESDAY,
JUNE 25, 2025**

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

**Committee on Rules and Judiciary
10:00 A.M.
Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall**

The 36th Legislature of the Virgin Islands Committee on Rules and Judiciary has scheduled a hearing for **10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 25, 2025, in the Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall**. The purpose of the hearing is to consider the following legislative measures:

BLOCK I

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

Bill No. [36-0032](#) An act amending title 33 Virgin Islands Code, subtitle 3, chapter 111, section 3080 by limiting the salary amount used to compute the service retirement annuity for the Governor and the Lieutenant Governor of the Virgin Islands.

Bill No. [36-0062](#) An Act approving the lease agreement between the government of the Virgin Islands, acting through its Commissioner of the Department of Property and Procurement, and the United States Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration for a portion of the telecommunications tower located on Parcel R-22 of Tract 1 Estate Nazareth, No. 1 Red Hook Quarter, St. Thomas.

Bill No. [36-0098](#) An Act approving the lease agreement between the Government of the Virgin Islands, acting through the Commissioner of the Department of Property and Procurement, and Caribbean Buzz, LLC for a portion of Remainder Parcel No. 3B Estate Susannaberg, 17A Cruz Bay Quarter, St. John, Virgin Islands for the purpose of operating and managing a helicopter transportation service at the existing helipad and for other permitted purposes.

BLOCK II

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

Bill No. [36-0024](#) An Act amending title 14 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 85 by adding section 1710 declaring a person incapable of consent to sexual relations while the person is in police custody.

- Bill No. [36-0027](#)** An Act amending title 5 Virgin Islands Code, subtitle 3, part I, chapter 311, by enacting Jah'niqua's Law requiring a defendant to pay restitution in form of child maintenance if the victim of the offense was the parent or guardian of a minor child or dependent and if the defendant was convicted of negligent homicide by means of a motor vehicle, a violation of the title 20 Virgin Islands Code, section 504, while under the influence of or affected by intoxicating liquor or narcotic drugs; or was convicted of driving under the influence of intoxicating liquors or controlled substances, a violation of title 20 Virgin Islands Code, section 493, which results in an accident that causes the victim to become disabled or totally and permanently disabled.
- Bill No. [36-0031](#)** An Act amending title 23 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 10, subchapter IV, section 1073 to exempt a public safety agency or privacy safety entity from liability for acts of negligence in the operation, administration or maintenance of a 911 service unless the acts are committed in a grossly negligent manner or are committed with willful intent
- Bill No. [36-0057](#)** An Act amending title 5 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 314, section 3733, subsection (a) to require automatic expungement of the arrest record and complaint or information when the accused has been acquitted
- LUNCH** **1:00 P.M. - 1:30 P.M.**
- BLOCK III** **1:30 P.M. - 3:00 P.M.**
- Bill No. [36-0035](#)** An Act amending title 15 Virgin Islands Code, article V to allow the Governor 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.
- Bill No. [36-0043](#)** An Act amending title 19 Virgin Islands Code, part VI, chapter 53, subchapter IV, section 1481 by increasing the penalties for violation of sanitation laws.
- Bill No. [36-0050](#)** An Act repealing and reenacting with amendments title 27 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 20, relating to the regulation of the profession of social work and social workers
- Bill No. [36-0051](#)** An Act amending title 27 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 20 by establishing the Virgin Islands Board of Social Work Licensure.

BLOCK IV**3:00 P.M. - 4:30 P.M.**

- Bill No. [36-0029](#)** A Resolution honoring and commending Sonya Hough, the creator of the St. Croix “Crucian” Hook Bracelet and proprietor of one of the first hand-wrought jewelry stores in St. Croix.
- Bill No. [36-0007](#)** A resolution honoring and commending James Sasso for distinguished service in the mortuary and funeral service industry.
- Bill No. [36-0064](#)** An act amending title 33 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 111, section 3093 to align the disbursement and spending limitations of funds allotted to public schools from the Education Initiative Fund with the realities of academic planning, ensuring that funds are used to maximize student success
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**THURSDAY,
JUNE 26, 2025**

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

**Committee on Budget, Appropriations
and Finance**
10:00 A.M.
Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall

The Committee on Budget, Appropriations and Finance will meet on **Wednesday, June 26, 2025**, at **10:00 a.m. in the Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall** to receive testimony on the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget.

BLOCK I

Public Service Commission
Sandra Setorie, Director

10:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

BLOCK II

Department of Labor
Honorable Gary Molloy, Ph D, Commissioner

1:00 P.M. - 3:00 P.M.

BLOCK III

Division of Personnel
Cindy L. Richardson, Director, Division of Personnel

3:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.

Office of Collective Bargaining
Joss Springette, Chief Negotiator

FRIDAY,
JUNE 27, 2025

PRESIDENT: SENATOR MILTON E. POTTER
VICE PRESIDENT: SENATOR KENNETH L. GITTENS

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

REGULAR SESSION - OFFICIAL AGENDA

Date: Friday, June 27, 2025
Time: 10:00 A.M.
Location: Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall

Call to Order: Honorable Milton E. Potter
 Senate President, 36th Legislature

Anthems: National Anthem and Virgin Islands March

Invocation: Reverend Charles L. Brown, Jr., Chaplain

Roll Call: Honorable Avery L. Lewis
 Legislative Secretary

Messages and/or Correspondences

Committee Reports:

Special Orders/Overrides:

CONSIDERATION OF FLOOR AGENDA:

CONSIDERATION OF LEASE AGREEMENTS

- Bill No. [36-0062](#)** An Act approving the lease agreement between the government of the Virgin Islands, acting through its Commissioner of the Department of Property and Procurement, and the United States Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration for a portion of the telecommunications tower located on Parcel R-22 of Tract 1 Estate Nazareth, No. 1 Red Hook Quarter, St. Thomas.
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CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

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**MONDAY,
JUNE 30, 2025**

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

**Committee on Budget, Appropriations
and Finance**

10:00 A.M.

Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall

The Committee on Budget, Appropriations and Finance will meet on **Monday, June 30, 2025, 10:00 A.M.** in the **Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall** on St. Thomas to receive testimony on the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget.

**10:00 A.M. Office of the Adjutant General
Kodjo Knox-Limbacker, Adjutant General**

12:00 P.M. LUNCH

**1:00 P.M. Office of Veterans Affairs
Patrick Farrell, Director**

**3:00 P.M. Department of Education
Honorable Dr. Dionne Wells-Hedrington, Commissioner**

**TUESDAY,
JULY 01, 2025**

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

**Committee on Budget, Appropriations
and Finance
10:00 A.M.
Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall**

The Committee on Budget, Appropriations and Finance will meet on **Tuesday, July 01, 2025, 10:00 A.M.** in the **Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall** on St. Thomas to receive testimony on the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget.

10:00 A.M. Bureau of Motor Vehicles
12:00 P.M. LUNCH
1:00 P.M. Department of Sports, Parks & Recreation
3:00 P.M. Department of Property & Procurement

**WEDNESDAY,
JULY 02, 2025**

CONSTITUENT MEETINGS AND OFFICE WORK

Reserved

THURSDAY,
JULY 03, 2025

Emancipation Day

Holiday

FRIDAY,
JULY 04, 2025

Independence Day

Holiday