



35th Legislature of the Virgin Islands
SENATE CALENDAR
November 18, 2024 – November 29, 2024

MONDAY,
NOVEMBER 18, 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 Monday, November 18, 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. [35-0273](#) An Act honoring and commending Ronald Alphonso “Slimo” Blyden posthumously for his years of service and contributions to the Virgin Islands community; renaming Flamboyant Avenue in Estate Anna’s Retreat, the “Ronald Alphonso “Slimo” Blyden Drive” and naming the cul de sac containing house addresses 129-27 through 129-34 Estate Anna’s Retreat, “Slimo Circle” in his honor; and making a \$10,000 appropriation from the District Public Road Fund to the Department of Public Works to erect the proper signage.

Invited Testifiers:

Mr. Moleto Smith, Jr., Resident
Ms. Felecia Brownlow, Resident
Honorable Myron Jackson, Former Senator
Mr. Anthony Peets, Resident
Mr. Darryl A. Lewis, Sr., Resident
Honorable Derek A. Gabriel, Commissioner, V.I. Department of Public Works

BLOCK II**11:30 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.**

The Committee will receive testimony concerning:

Bill No. [35-0298](#) An Act honoring and commending Daryl A. George, Sr., colloquially known as “Mousey”, posthumously, for his contributions to the people of the Virgin Islands as a firefighter, first responder, mentor and as Director of the Virgin Islands Fire and Emergency Services; renaming the Tango Company Fire Station the “Daryl A. “Mousey” George, Sr., Fire Station” in his honor; and appropriating \$10,000 from the Business and Commercial Properties Revolving Fund to the Department of Public Works to erect the proper signage.

Invited Testifiers:

Mr. Antonio Stevens, Director, V.I. Fire and Emergency Medical Service

Mr. Kevin Williams, Chief of Staff, Office of the Governor

Mr. Carlton Dowe, Executive Director, V.I. Port of Authority

Te-Nae’ George, Resident

Honorable Derek A. Gabriel, Commissioner, V.I. Department of Public Works

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

The Committee will receive testimony on the operations of the Office of Gun Violence Prevention including but not limited to enabling law and jurisdiction, current department challenges, and plan of action to resolve challenges.

Invited Testifier:

Mr. Antonio Emanuel, Director, Office of Gun Violence

Bill No. [35-0394](#) An Act honoring and commending Arthur Solomon for his work as Head Coach for the multiple champion winning Charlotte Amalie High School’s Girls’ Basketball Team and his contribution as a member of the Virgin Islands Men’s National Basketball Team by naming the existing and any subsequent gymnasium at the Charlotte Amalie High School, “The Myron “MC” Corbett and Arthur “Gutu” Solomon Gymnasium”.

Invited Testifiers:

Mr. William Frett, Resident

Mr. Pedro Estrill, Resident

Ms. Shayla Solomon, Resident

Mr. Rory Stapleton, Resident

Mr. Sidney Bell, Resident

Mr. Charles Fonseca, Resident

**TUESDAY,
NOVEMBER 19, 2024**

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

Committee on Rules and Judiciary

9:30 A.M.

Frits E. Lawaetz Legislative Conference Room

The Committee on Rules and Judiciary has scheduled a meeting for Tuesday, November 19, 2024, at 9:30 A.M. in the Frits E. Lawaetz Legislative Conference Room, St. Croix, Virgin Islands to consider the following nominations and bills:

BLOCK I

UVI Board of Trustees

Kyza A. Callwood, PhD, Nominee, UVI Research and Technology Park Board

BLOCK II

Governor's Nomination

Julio A. Rhymer, Sr., Director Nominee, US Virgin Islands Office of Management and Budget

BLOCK III

Bill No. [35-0224](#) An Act amending title 19, part V, chapter 45, subchapter VI to increase access to behavioral health services, with a focus on a Psychiatric Emergency Response Team to provide mobile crisis intervention services, and the 9-8-8 telecommunication system.

Invited Testifiers:

Honorable Justa Encarnacion, Commissioner, Department of Health

Hazel M. Philbert, Interim Chief Executive Officer, Gov. Juan F. Luis Hospital and Medical Center

Tina Comissiong, Chief Executive Officer, Schneider Regional Medical Center

Sandra Setorie, Executive Director, Virgin Islands Public Service Commission

BLOCK IV

Bill No. [35-0399](#) An Act amending title 16 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 2, section 99 establishing a mandatory minimum bail amount in domestic violence cases.

Invited Testifier:

Gordon Rhea, Esq., Attorney General, VI Department of Justice

BLOCK V

Bill No. [35-0253](#) An Act honoring and commending police officers for the service they provide to the community and to recognize fallen law enforcement officers posthumously.

Bill No. [35-0271](#) An Act amending title 20 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 43, subchapter I by adding a section 494b establishing school speed zones, signage, and enforcement measures to promote student and pedestrian safety near schools

Bill No. [35-0316](#) An Act honoring and commending Mrs. Juel Turnbull Rhymer-Molloy for years of dedicated service and numerous contributions to the people of the Virgin Islands.

Bill No. [35-0382](#) 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 HKT Energy Consulting Group, LLC for Reconfigured Parcel No. 114 Submarine Base, No. 4 Southside Quarter, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands for the purpose of operating an office and warehouse and for no other purposes

Bill No. [35-0385](#) An Act approving a multi-year lease agreement between the Government of the Virgin Islands, acting through its Commissioner of the Department of Property and Procurement, and U.S.V.I. Soccer Federation, Inc., for Parcel N-1-Remainder of Tract 1 Estate Nazareth, No. 1 Red Hook Quarter, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, for a soccer field stadium with concessions, and soccer-related activities

Bill No. [35-0386](#) An Act approving the lease agreement between the Government of the Virgin Islands and Star Time Firearms, LLC d/b/a Precision Shooting Range for a portion of Parcel No. 1A Estate Bovoni, Nos. 1 and 2 Frenchman's Bay Quarter, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands to operate a firearm training facility and shooting range, and for other related purposes

Bill No. [35-0387](#) An Act approving the multi-year lease agreement between the United States of America by and through the Department of Transportation Federal Aviation Administration and the Government of the Virgin Islands, acting through its Commissioner of the Department of Property and Procurement for Plot No. 10 Estate White Lady, West End Quarter, St. Croix, Virgin Islands to be used for the continued operation of a Locator Outer Marker and Federal Aviation Administration activities in support of the National Airspace System, and for other related purposes

Bill No. [35-0403](#) An Act amending title 20 Virgin Islands Code, part II by repealing and re-enacting with amendments chapter 49 relating to abandoned and derelict motor vehicles

**WEDNESDAY,
NOVEMBER 20, 2024**

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

**Committee of the Whole/Regular Session
10:00 A.M.
Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall**

REGULAR SESSION - OFFICIAL AGENDA

Time:	10:00 A.M.
Call to Order:	Honorable Novelle E. Francis, Jr. Senate President
Invocation:	Reverend Andrew George Pastor, Trinity Baptist Church
Anthems:	National Anthem and Virgin Islands March
Roll Call:	Honorable Carla J. Joseph Legislative Secretary

The **Thirty-Fifth Legislature** will dissolve from **Legislative Session** and convene into **The Committee of the Whole** to discuss the following:

Bill Request No. 24-1403 A proposal to amend Act No. 7754 to authorize the issuance of up to \$250,000,000 in bonds, notes, or other evidence of indebtedness of the Government of the United States Virgin Islands and the Virgin Islands Public Finance Authority, itself, or acting through a wholly owned subsidiary or an affiliated corporation, serving as a public corporation

Invited Testifiers:

Mr. Kevin A. Williams, Sr., Chief of Staff, Office of the Governor

Honorable Derek Gabriel, Commissioner, VI Department of Public Works

Mr. Nathan Simmonds, Director of Finance and Administration, VI Public Finance Authority

Bill Request No. 24-1140 An Act amending title 31 Virgin Islands Code, chapters 21 and 23, sections 205, 231a, 232, 236, 236a, and 239 pertaining to the management of public property and procurement and sale of goods and services

Invited Testifiers:

Honorable Lisa Alejandro, Commissioner, VI Department of Property and Procurement

Mr. Vincent Richards, Deputy Commissioner, VI Department of Property and Procurement

Magdalene Morancie, Esq., Chief Legal Counsel, VI Department of Property and Procurement

The **Thirty-Fifth Legislature** will rise out of **Committee of the Whole** and reconvene into **Legislative Session** to consider the following:

Messages and/or Correspondences:

Committee Reports: Chairperson of Standing Committees

SPECIAL ORDERS/OVERRIDES

CONSIDERATION OF FLOOR AGENDA:

CONSIDERATION OF NOMINATIONS:

Kyza A. Callwood, PhD

Nominee, UVI Board of Trustees

(Pending Committee on Rules and Judiciary - Tuesday, November 19, 2024)

Julio A. Rhymer, Sr.

Nominee, Director, Office of Management and Budget

(Pending Committee on Rules and Judiciary - Tuesday, November 19, 2024)

CONSIDERATION OF LEASES

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**THURSDAY,
NOVEMBER 21, 2024**

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

**PERMA PLAQUE/
ROAD NAMING CEREMONY
10:00 A.M.
Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall**

The Honorable Novelle E. Francis, Jr., Senate President of the 35th Legislature and Honorable Derek Gabriel, Commissioner of Public Works invite you to a Perma Plaque and Road Naming Ceremony at the Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall

Boyd “Boyzie” Todman
Almando “Rocky” Liburd
Dr. William A. Industrious, Sr.
Viggo E. Sewer

Rudolph “Pimpy” Thomas, Jr.
Corporal Kendall Emanuel George
Bernice Alma Turnbull
Fenella Cooper

**FRIDAY,
NOVEMBER 22, 2024**

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

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

Please be advised that the Committee on Health, Hospitals & Human Services will be conducting a meeting on Friday, November 22, 2024, at 10:00 a.m., in the Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall on St. Thomas to discuss the following:

BLOCK I

10:00 A.M. – 11:15 A.M.

Bill No. [35-0254](#) An Act amending title 27 Virgin Islands Code by adding a chapter 21A establishing the Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology Interstate Compact.

Invited Testifiers:

Honorable Justa “Tita” Encarnacion, Commissioner, Department of Health

Honorable H. Nathalie Hodge, Commissioner, Department of Licensing & Consumer Affairs

BLOCK II**11:15 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.****Bill No. [35-0295](#)**

An Act amending title 19 Virgin Islands Code, part III, chapter 29 requiring the Virgin Islands Department of Health to establish and administer the “Virgin Islands Prescription Drug Monitoring Program” to provide prescription drug monitoring, and for other related purposes.

Invited Testifiers:

Honorable Justa “Tita” Encarnacion, Commissioner, Department of Health

Mr. Troy de Chabert Schuster, State Director, AARP

Mr. Danson N. Nganga, PharmD, V.I. Board of Pharmacy

**MONDAY,
NOVEMBER 25, 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. Otley Legislative Hall

**TUESDAY,
NOVEMBER 26, 2024**

CONSTITUENT MEETINGS AND OFFICE WORK

Reserved

**WEDNESDAY,
NOVEMBER 27, 2024**

CONSTITUENT MEETINGS AND OFFICE WORK

Reserved

**THURSDAY,
NOVEMBER 28, 2024**

THANKSGIVING DAY

Holiday

**FRIDAY,
NOVEMBER 29, 2024**

CONSTITUENT MEETINGS AND OFFICE WORK

Reserved
