

36th Legislature of the Virgin Islands SENATE CALENDAR

September 29, 2025 - October 10, 2025

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2025

	CONSTITUENT MEETINGS AND OFFICE WORK
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MONDAY, OCTOBER 06, 2025

CONSTITUENT MEETINGS AND OFFICE WORK

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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 07, 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 Conference Room, St. Croix

The Committee on Budget, Appropriations and Finance will meet on **Tuesday, October 7, 2025, 10:00 A.M.** in the **Frits E. Lawaetz Legislative Conference Room** on St. Croix to receive testimony on the following bills:

BLOCK I

Bill No. <u>36-0119</u>

An act amending Act No. 8651 by reprogramming the appropriated funds to the Department of Sports, Parks, and Recreation to fund the completion of the Randall "Doc" James Racetrack on St. Croix

Invited Testifiers:

Honorable Vincent L. Roberts, Commissioner, VI Department of Sports, Parks & Recreation

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

Mr. Marcus Knight, Vice-President, Flamboyant Park Horsemen Association

BLOCK II

Bill No. 36-0083

An Act establishing a 90-day amnesty period for the waiver of penalties for payment of outstanding property taxes, income taxes, and gross receipt taxes for all tax years to assist taxpayers and businesses recovering from the aftermath of Hurricanes Irma and Maria and Tropical Storm Ernesto

Invited Testifiers:

Mr. Joel A. Lee, Director, VI Bureau of Internal Revenue

Mr. Brent Leerdam, Tax Collector, Office of the Lieutenant Governor

Mr. Akeel St. Jean, Esq., Chairman, St. Croix Chamber of Commerce

Mr. John P. Woods, President, St. Thomas-St. John Chamber of Commerce

Bill No. <u>36-0153</u>

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 Kobe Holdings, Ltd. for Parcel No. 35F Estate Nisky, No. 6 Southside Quarter, St. Thomas and an un-surveyed portion of Submarine Base, No. 6 Southside Quarter, St. Thomas for the purpose of commercial leasing, and for other permitted purposes

Invited Testifiers:

Honorable Lisa Alejandro, Commissioner, VI Department of Property and Procurement **Mr. Jabari Blash,** President, Kobe Holdings, Ltd.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 08, 2025

CHAIR: SENATOR MARVIN A. BLYDEN VICE CHAIR: SENATOR CLIFFORD A. JOSEPH, SR.

Committee on Housing, Transportation and Telecommunications 9:00 A.M.

Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 09, 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

Please be advised that the 36th Legislature of the Virgin Islands Committee on Rules and Judiciary has schedule a hearing **for Thursday, October 9, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. in the Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall on St. Thomas.** The purpose of the hearing is to receive testimonies and consider the following legislative measures:

BLOCK I 10:00 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.

Bill No. <u>36-0144</u>

An act amending title 14 Virgin Islands Code, Chapter 113 to define and prohibit assault rifles, ban suppressors and silencers, and requiring safety training for licensed rifles and shotgun holders; prohibiting large capacity magazines and preventing the illegal sales of firearms, firearm accessories and ammunition.

Invited Testifiers:

Honorable Mario Brooks, Commissioner, Virgin Islands Police Department Honorable Gordon Rhea, Esq., Attorney General, Virgin Islands Department of Justice Mr. Kosei Ohno, Member, VI Safe Gun Owners

BLOCK II 11:30 A.M. – 1:30 P.M.

Bill No. 36-0105

An act amending title 7 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 13, subchapter III by prohibiting the possession, sale, or manufacture of tetrahydrocannabinol acid, delta-6 THC, delta-8 THC and delta-10 THC products in the Virgin Islands and for other related purposes.

Invited Testifiers:

Honorable Mario Brooks, Commissioner, Virgin Islands Police Department
Honorable Gordon Rhea, Esq., Attorney General, Virgin Islands Department of Justice
Honorable Justa Encarnacion, Commissioner, Virgin Islands Department of Health
Honorable H. Nathalie Hodge, Commissioner, Department of Licensing and Consumer Affairs
Ms. Joanne Moorehead, Executive Director, Virgin Islands Office of Cannabis Regulation

Ms. Riise Richards, Chair, Virgin Islands Industrial Hemp Commission

Mr. Duane Howell, Executive Director, ARCH Institute

Ms. Lindsey Rithamel and Mr. Ryan Kohrig, Owners, The Remedy

LUNCH 1:30 P.M. – 2:30 P.M.

BLOCK III 2:30 P.M. – 4:00 P.M.

Bill No. 36-0123 An act amending title 20 Virgin Islands Code, part II, chapter 43, subchapter I, section 493 making it unlawful for a person who has 0.04 percent or more, by weight, of alcohol in his blood to operate a commercial motor vehicle, and making it unlawful for a person under the age of 21 years who has any detectable amount of alcohol in his blood, to operate a motor vehicle.

Bill No. 36-0136 An act amending title 23 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 17, subchapter II by adding new sections 1331 through 1336 mandating lethal weapon training for security guards and investigators.

which proposes amendments to Title 34, Chapter 15 of the Virgin Islands Code to improve the territory's responsiveness to elder abuse cases. The bill mandates the creation of an Elder Anti-Abuse Multidisciplinary Team within the Department of Human Services and requires collaboration with the Department of Justice to facilitate protective order requests through the Superior Court of the Virgin Islands.

An Act amending title 3 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 27, section 706 and chapter 28A, section 755 allowing retirees who are receiving an annuity from the Government Employees Retirement System who are subsequently employed by the University of the Virgin Islands ("UVI"), to continue to receive their GERS annuity while receiving their salary from the University if the retiree enrolls in a different retirement plan.

Bill No. 36-0058 An Act honoring and commending Dennis "Pumpa" Lennox Leroy Liburd, Jr. for his many contributions to the Virgin Islands culture and music industry as a Soca artist by awarding him the Official key to the Territory and naming the main entrance of 6-Y Peters Rest Road, Christiansted, St. Croix in his honor.

Bill No. 36-0107 A resolution honoring and commending Dr. Alfred Lee Anduze for his outstanding achievements and significant contributions to the fields of medicine, science, public health, and community empowerment.

Bill No. 36-0121 An act to rename the Peter Carl Limpricht Park the TSK Park in honor of the Ten Sleepless Knights quelbe band and making an appropriation to effectuate that change.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2025

CONSTITUENT MEETINGS AND OFFICE WORK

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