TUESDAY, JULY 26, 2022

CHAIR: SENATOR MARVIN A. BLYDEN
VICE CHAIR: SENATOR GENEVIEVE R. WHITAKER

Committee on Housing, Transportation and Telecommunications
9:00 A.M.
Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall

The Committee on Housing, Transportation and Telecommunications has scheduled a meeting to receive testimony on the following:

A. **Presentation and discussion of the USVI Broadband Strategic Framework.**

*Invited Testifiers:*
- **Mr. Stephan Adams**, CEO, Virgin Islands Next Generation Network (viNGN)
- **Mr. Rupert Ross**, Director, Virgin Islands Bureau of Information Technology

B. **An update from the V.I. Housing Finance Authority with particular emphasis on the Emergency Rental Assistance Program, the First-time Homebuyers’ Program, and the administration and enforcement of the V.I. Housing Code**

*Invited Testifier:*
- **Ms. Dayna M. Clendinen**, Interim Director, Virgin Islands Housing Finance Authority
The Committee on Finance will receive testimony on the proposed Fiscal Year 2023 Executive Budget for the Government of the Virgin Islands of the United States.

9:00 A.M.  Office of the Lieutenant Governor
Monica Williams Carbon, Esq., Chief of Staff

12:00 P.M.  Lunch

12:30 P.M.  Virgin Islands Economic Development Authority
Wayne Biggs, Jr., Chief Executive Officer

2:00 P.M.  Virgin Islands Water and Power Authority
Andrew Smith, Chief Executive Officer
The Committee on Finance will receive testimony on the proposed Fiscal Year 2023 Executive Budget for the Government of the Virgin Islands of the United States.

9:00 A.M.  Department of Health
The Honorable Justa Encarnacion, Commissioner

12:00 P.M.  Lunch

12:30 P.M.  Virgin Islands Board of Nurse Licensure
Carmen Vanterpool-Romney BSN, RN, CPM, Territorial Executive Director

2:00 P.M.  Department of Licensing and Consumer Affairs
The Honorable Richard Evangelista, Esq., Commissioner

FRIDAY,
JULY 29, 2022

Committee on Health, Hospitals
and Human Services
10:00 A.M.
Frits E. Lawaetz Legislative Conference Room

The Committee on Health, Hospitals & Human Services has scheduled a hearing on Friday, July 29, 2022, 10:00 am in the Frits E. Lawaetz Legislative Conference Room on St. Croix to receive testimony on:

BLOCK I  10:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

Bill No. 34-0244  An Act amending title 27 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 4, section 191(a) and (d) to expand and clarify the definition of naturopathic medicine and the physical modalities used in the practice of naturopathy

Invited Testifiers:
Aziyza Shabazz, President, Esthetician/Physical Trainer, Aziyza Nature’s Spa
Dr. Loriann Laugle, Studio 360 Chiropractic Wellness & Functional Movement Center
Shannon Braden, Executive Director, North American Board of Naturopathic Examiners (NABNE)
The committee will receive an update on matters related to the nursing practices in the Virgin Islands including compensation, working conditions expired contracts, and the credentialing of traveling nurses.

**Invited Testifiers:**
Ms. Jacqueline Canton, Registered Nurses Leadership Union Executive Chair/Chief Negotiator  
Ms. Carmen Vanterpool-Romney, Executive Director, VI Board of Nurse Licensure

**LUNCH**  
1:00 P.M. – 1:30 P.M.

**BLOCK II**  
1:30 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.

**Bill No. 34-0279**  
An Act amending 19 Virgin Islands Code, Part V restructuring, reclassifying and adopting the first comprehensive Virgin Islands Behavioral Health Act to provide for services and interdepartmental coordination of agencies and organizations to provide a structure of support to individuals throughout the Virgin Islands who suffer from behavioral health challenges; to establish community behavioral health services, as well as to provide for the first comprehensive public Behavioral Health Facility to treat individuals voluntarily and involuntarily who face behavioral health challenges, amending and repealing conflicting laws; and providing for other related purposes

**Invited Testifiers:**
The Honorable Justa E. Encarnacion, Commissioner, VI Department of Health  
The Honorable Denise N. George, Esq., Attorney General of the US Virgin Islands  
The Honorable Ray A. Martinez, Commissioner, VI Police Department  
Ms. Sheryl Pogson, NAMI/AARP  
Lori Thompson, PhD, Psychologist, Insight  
Tina Comissiong, Esq., Chief Executive Officer, Schneider Regional Medical Center  
Mr. Christopher E. Finch, Chairman, Virgin Islands Government Health and Hospital Corporation  
Ms. Wynnie Testamark, Director, VI Bureau of Corrections  
Samuel Joseph, Esq., Chief Public Defender, Office of the Territorial Public Defender  
Alisha Udhwani, Esq., President, VI Bar Association

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**CONSTITUENT MEETINGS AND OFFICE WORK**

**Reserved**
TUESDAY,  
August 2, 2022

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WEDNESDAY,  
August 3, 2022

CONSTITUENT MEETINGS AND OFFICE WORK

Reserved

THURSDAY,  
August 4, 2022

CONSTITUENT MEETINGS AND OFFICE WORK

Reserved

FRIDAY,  
August 5, 2022

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