




SENATOR NOVELLE E. FRANCIS, JR.
36TH LEGISLATURE OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS
Chairman, Committee on Budget, Appropriations and Finance

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Memorandum No. 25-0046

To: Committee on Budget, Appropriations and Finance Members
The Honorable Marvin A. Blyden, Vice-Chairman
The Honorable Dwayne M. DeGraff
The Honorable Ray Fonseca
The Honorable Hubert L. Frederick
The Honorable Marise C. James
The Honorable Kurt A. Violet

From: The Honorable Novelle E. Francis, Jr. 
Chairman, Committee on Budget, Appropriations and Finance

Date: August 1, 2025

Re: August 19, 2025 Committee on Budget, Appropriations and Finance Meeting

The Committee on Budget, Appropriations and Finance will meet on Tuesday, August 19, 2025, 9:00 A.M. in the Earle B. Ottley on St. Thomas to receive testimony on the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget.

Block I

9:00 A.M.-12:00 P.M.

Department of Tourism

Invited Testifier:

Jennifer Matarangas-King, Commissioner Nominee

Block II

12:00-2:00 P.M.

Bureau of School Construction and Maintenance

Invited Testifier:

Craig F. Benjamin, Executive Director

Block III

2:00-5:00 P.M.

The Committee on Budget, Appropriations and Finance will receive testimony from the Government's Financial Team on the Fiscal Year 2026 Executive Budget for the Government of the Virgin Islands

Invited Testifiers:

Honorable Kevin G. McCurdy, Commissioner

Julio Rhymer, Director, Office of Management and Budget

Joel Lee, Director, VI Bureau of Internal Revenue
Brent Leerdam, Tax Collector, Office of the Lt. Governor
Ludence Romney, Tax Assessor, Office of the Lt. Governor
Joss Springette, Esq., Chief Negotiator, Office of Collective Bargaining
Cindy L. Richardson, Director, Division of Personnel
Adrienne Williams-Octalien, Director, Office of Disaster Recovery
Dr. Haldene Davies, Director, Bureau of Economic Research