

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

Memorandum No. 25-0052

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. Vialet

From: The Honorable Novelle E. Francis, Jr.

Chairman, Committee on Budget, Appropriations and Finance

Date: September 10, 2025

Re: September 11, 2025 Committee on Budget, Appropriations and Finance Meeting

The Committee on Budget, Appropriations and Finance will meet on Thursday, September 11, 2025, 10:00 A.M. in the Earle B. Ottley on St. Thomas to consider the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget bills.

Block I

Bill No. 36-0154 An act providing a lump-sum appropriation from the Health Revolving

Fund to the Virgin Islands Department of Health and a contribution to the General Fund of the Treasury of the Government of the Virgin Islands for fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 (*Sponsored by:*

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Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.)

Bill No. 36-0155 An act providing a lump sum appropriation from the General Fund to the

Virgin Islands Fire and Emergency Medical Services Fund for the fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 (Sponsored by: Senators

Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.)

Bill No. 36-0156 An act providing an appropriation from the Business and Commercial

Properties Revolving Fund to the Virgin Islands Department of Property and Procurement for operating expenses for the fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 (*Sponsored by: Senators Milton E.*

Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.)

Bill No. 36-0157 An act providing an appropriation from the Virgin Islands Lottery as a

contribution to the General Fund of the Treasury of the Government of the Virgin Islands for the fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 (*Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis*,

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Bill No. 36-0158

An act providing an appropriation from the District Public Road Fund of the Government of the Virgin Islands to the Department of Public Works for operating expenses for the fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 (*Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.*)

Bill No. 36-0159

An act providing an appropriation from the Indirect Cost Fund for the operating expenses of the Office of Management and Budget, the Virgin Islands Division of Personnel, the Virgin Islands Department of Property and Procurement and the Virgin islands Department of Finance for the fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 (*Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.*)

Bill No. 36-0160

An act providing an appropriation from the General Fund of the Treasury of the Government of the Virgin Islands to the St. Croix Capital Improvement Fund and the St. Thomas Capital Improvement Fund for fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 (*Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.*)

Bill No. 36-0161

An act appropriating \$25,500,000 to the Legislature of the Virgin Islands in the fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 (*Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.*)

Bill No. 36-0162

An act appropriating \$20,000,000 from the Virgin Islands Guaranty Fund as a contribution to the General Fund of the Treasury of the Government of the Virgin Islands in the fiscal year September 30, 2025 through October 1, 2026 (*Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.*)

Bill No. 36-0163

An act providing an appropriation for salaries and expenses of the Virgin Islands Board of Elections and the Office of the Supervisor of Elections in the fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 (*Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.*)

Block II

Bill No. 36-0164

An act providing a lump-sum appropriation from the School Construction, Maintenance and Capital Fund to the Bureau of School Construction and Maintenance for repair, renovation and maintenance of public schools and facilities in fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 (*Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.*)

Bill No. 36-0165

An act appropriating \$6,000,000 from the Caribbean Basin Initiative Fund as a contribution to the General Fund of the Treasury of the Government of the Virgin Islands in fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 (Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.)

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Bill No. 36-0166

An act providing an appropriation from the Tourism Advertising Revolving Fund to the Virgin Islands Waste Management Authority, the Office of the Governor, the Virgin Islands Department of Education, the Virgin Islands Police Department, the Virgin Islands Department of Public Works, the Virgin Islands Department of Agriculture, the Virgin Islands Department of Sports, Parks and Recreation, the Virgin Islands Department of Licensing and Consumer Affairs, the Virgin Islands Public Broadcasting System and the Virgin Islands Department of Tourism during the fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 (Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.)

Bill No. 36-0167

An act providing an appropriation for the salaries and expenses of the University of the Virgin Islands for the fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 (*Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.*)

Bill No. 36-0168

An act providing an appropriation for the operating expenses of the Public Employees Relations Board and the Virgin Islands Labor Management Committee for the fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 (*Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Senator Novelle E. Francis, Jr.*)

Bill No. 36-0169

An act appropriating the sum of \$1,000,000 from the Virgin Islands Education Initiative Fund to the School of Construction, Maintenance and Capital Fund (*Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.*)

Bill No. 36-0170

An act providing an appropriation for the operating expenses of the Waste Management Authority from the Sewer Waste Water Fund of the Government of the Virgin Islands for the fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 (*Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.*)

Bill No. 36-0171

An act providing an appropriation for the operating expenses of the Virgin Islands Hospital and Health Facilities Corporation from the General Fund of the Treasury of the Government of the Virgin Islands during the fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 (Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.)

Bill No. 36-0172

An act providing an appropriation for the operating expenses of the Virgin Islands Office of the Inspector General from the General Fund of the Treasury of the Government of the Virgin Islands for the fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 (*Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.*)

Bill No. 36-0173

An act providing an appropriation for the operation of the Judicial Branch of the Government of the Virgin Islands, the Judicial Council and the Office of the Territorial Public Defender during the fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2025 (*Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.*)

Block III

Bill No. 36-0174

An act providing an appropriation from the General Fund of the Treasury of the Government of the Virgin Islands for the operation of the Government of the Virgin Islands during the fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 (*Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.*)

Bill No. 36-0175

An act providing an appropriation for the operating expenses of the Public Services Commission for the fiscal year October 1, 2025 to September 30, 2026 (*Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.*)

Bill No. 36-0176

An act providing an appropriation from the General Fund of the Treasury of the Government of the Virgin Islands to the St. John Capital Improvement Fund for fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 (Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.)

Bill No. 36-0177

An act providing an appropriation for the operating expenses of the Virgin Islands Board of Education from the General Fund of the Treasury of the Government of the Virgin Islands during the fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 (*Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.*)

Bill No. 36-0178

An act providing an appropriation from the Transportation Trust Fund as a contribution to the General Fund and for the operating expenses of the Virgin Islands Bureau of Motor Vehicles and the Department of Public Works during the fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 (Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.)

Bill No. 36-0179

An act providing an appropriation for the operating expenses of the Virgin Islands Career and Technical Education Board from the General Fund of the Treasury of the Government of the Virgin Islands during the fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 (*Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.*)

Bill No. 36-0180

An act providing an appropriation to the Virgin Islands Taxicab Commission for the fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 (*Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Senator Novelle E. Francis, Jr.*)

Bill No. 36-0181

An act providing an appropriation from the Anti-Litter and Beautification Fund to the Virgin Islands Waste Management Authority and the Virgin Islands Department of Public Works for operating expenses during the fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 (*Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.*)

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Bill No. 36-0182 An act providing an appropriation for the operating expenses of the

Virgin Islands Waste Management Authority from the General Fund of the Treasury of the Government of the Virgin Islands during the fiscal year October 1, 2025 to September 30, 2026 (Sponsored by: Senators

Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.)

Bill No. 36-0186 An act appropriating \$4,892,000 from the GVI/JPMC Charitable Fund to

the General Fund of the Treasury of the Government of the Virgin Islands

(Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.)