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The Honorable

Donna A. Frett-Gregory

Liaison to Congress

REVISED

COMMITTEE ON BUDGET, APPROPRIATIONS, AND FINANCE

The 35th Legislature's Committee on Budget, Appropriations and Finance will meet Tuesday, September 19, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. in the Earle B. Ottley Legislative Chambers on St. Thomas, Virgin Islands.

OFFICIAL AGENDA

BLOCK I: 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Bill No. 35-0077- An Act approving the lease agreement between the Government of the Virgin Islands, acting through its Commissioner of the Department of Property and Procurement and St. Thomas Rescue, Inc., Parcel No. 146 Revised Submarine Base No. 6, Southwest Quarter, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, consisting of a one-story building, on approximately 0.1899 U.S. acres of improved land more-or-less, zoned P, for the purpose of operating a long-term headquarters for all rescue related activities of the Lessee, and for other related purposes (*Proposed by: Senator Novelle E. Francis, Jr.*)

Invited Testifiers:

Ms. Lisa M. Alejandro
Commissioner
Department of Property and Procurement
Divisions of Property & Printing

Mr. Liston Thomas
St. Thomas Rescue

Bill No. 35-0095 - An Act approving the Lease Agreement between the Government of the Virgin Islands, acting through its Commissioner of the Department of Property and Procurement, and Dave Jeffers d/b/a Dave Trucking Service for Parcel No. 142-B Estate Anna's Retreat, No. 1 New Quarter, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, consisting of approximately 6, 627.393 U.S. sq. ft. or 0.144 U.S. acre zoned "P" as shown on O.L.G. File No. D9-8646-T012 to be used for the purpose of operating the general offices of the trucking company and for other related purposes (*Proposed by: Senator Novelle E. Francis, Jr.*)

Invited Testifiers:

Ms. Lisa M. Alejandro
Commissioner
Department of Property and Procurement
Divisions of Property & Printing

Mr. Dave Jeffers
Dave Trucking Service

BLOCK II: 10:45 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.

Bill No. 35-0124- An Act approving the lease agreement between the Government of the Virgin Islands, acting through its Commissioner of the Department of Property and Procurement and Demah, Inc. d/b/a Moe’s Fresh Market, Revised Parcel No. 17-3 Remainder Estate Nisky, No. 6, Southside Quarter, St. Thomas and Unimproved Parcel No. 17-4 Estate Nisky, No. 6, Southside Quarter, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, for operating a gourmet retail food market and store, butchery, importer of goods, restaurant, tobacco retailer, storage warehouse, and executive offices, executive and workforce suites, and for other related purposes (*Senators Novelle E. Francis, Jr., by Request of the Governor, and Donna A. Frett-Gregory*)

Invited Testifiers:

Ms. Lisa M. Alejandro
Commissioner
Department of Property and Procurement
Divisions of Property & Printing

Ms. Wadda Charriez
Moe’s Fresh Market

Bill No. 35-0126 - An Act approving the lease agreement between the Government of the Virgin Islands Department of Property and Procurement and Petrus Properties, LLC for Parcel No. 47D-1 Kronprindsens Gade, Kronprindsens Quarter St. Thomas, Virgin Islands (*Proposed by: Senator Novelle E. Francis, Jr., by Request of the Governor*)

Invited Testifiers:

Ms. Lisa M. Alejandro
Commissioner
Department of Property and Procurement
Divisions of Property & Printing

Mr. Allison Petrus
Petrus Properties, LLC

BLOCK III – FY 2024 Budget Bill(s) – 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

The Committee on Budget, Appropriations, and Finance will consider the FY 2024 Budget Bills.

Bill No. 35-0141 - 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, 2023 through September 30, 2024 (*Senators Novelle E. Francis, Jr. and Donna A. Frett-Gregory, by Request of the Governor*)

Bill No. 35-0142 - An Act providing an appropriation for the operating expense of the Virgin Islands Board of Education from the General Fund of the Treasury of the Virgin Islands during the fiscal year October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024 (*Senators Novelle E. Francis, Jr. and Donna A. Frett-Gregory, by Request of the Governor*)

Bill No. 35-0143 - An Act providing an appropriation for the operating expenses of the Virgin Islands Office of the Inspector General from the General Fund of the Government of the Virgin Islands during

the Fiscal Year October 1, 2023 to September 30, 2024 (*Senators Novelle E. Francis, Jr. and Donna A. Frett-Gregory, by Request of the Governor*)

Bill No. 35-0144 - 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, 2023 through September 30, 2024 (*Senators Novelle E. Francis, Jr. and Donna A. Frett-Gregory, by Request of the Governor*)

Bill No. 35-0145 - 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, 2023 through September 30, 2024 (*Senators Novelle E. Francis, Jr. and Donna A. Frett-Gregory, by Request of the Governor*)

Bill No. 35-0146 - 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, 2023 to September 30, 2024 (*Senators Novelle E. Francis, Jr. and Donna A. Frett-Gregory, by Request of the Governor*)

Bill No. 35-0147 - An Act providing an appropriation for the Legislature of the Virgin Islands for the fiscal year October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024 (*Senators Novelle E. Francis, Jr. and Donna A. Frett-Gregory, by Request of the Governor*)

Bill No. 35-0148 - 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, 2023 through September 30, 2024 (*Senators Novelle E. Francis, Jr. and Donna A. Frett-Gregory, by Request of the Governor*)

Bill No. 35-0149 - An Act providing an appropriation for salaries and expenses of the Virgin Islands Board of Elections and the Office of the Supervisor for the fiscal year October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024 (*Senators Novelle E. Francis, Jr. and Donna A. Frett-Gregory, by Request of the Governor*)

Bill No. 35-0150 - An Act providing an appropriation for the operating expenses of the Virgin Islands Waste Management Authority from the General Fund of the Government of the Virgin Islands during the Fiscal Year October 1, 2023 to September 30, 2024 (*Senators Novelle E. Francis, Jr. and Donna A. Frett-Gregory, by Request of the Governor*)

Bill No. 35-0151 - An Act providing an appropriation for the salaries and expenses of the University of the Virgin Islands during the fiscal year October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024 (*Senators Novelle E. Francis, Jr. and Donna A. Frett-Gregory, by Request of the Governor*)

Bill No. 35-0152 - 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, 2023 through September 30, 2024 (*Senators Novelle E. Francis, Jr. and Donna A. Frett-Gregory, by Request of the Governor*)

Bill No. 35-0153 - An Act providing an appropriation for the operating expenses of the Public Services Commission for the Fiscal Year October 1, 2023 to September 30, 2024 (*Senators Novelle E. Francis, Jr. and Donna A. Frett-Gregory, by Request of the Governor*)

Bill No. 35-0154 - 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 during the fiscal year October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024 (*Senators Novelle E. Francis, Jr. and Donna A. Frett-Gregory, by Request of the Governor*)

Bill No. 35-0155 - An Act providing an appropriation from the Caribbean Basin Initiative Fund as a contribution to the General Fund of the Treasury of the Virgin Islands for the fiscal year October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024 (*Senators Novelle E. Francis, Jr. and Donna A. Frett-Gregory, by Request of the Governor*)

Bill No. 35-0156 - An Act providing an appropriation from the General Fund of the Treasury of the Government of the Virgin Islands to the Virgin Islands Department of Labor and the Department of Finance for operating expenses during the fiscal year October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024 (*Senators Novelle E. Francis, Jr. and Donna A. Frett-Gregory, by Request of the Governor*)

Bill No. 35-0157 - An Act providing for the lump sum appropriation from the Health Revolving Fund to the Virgin Islands Department of Health and a contribution to the General Fund for the fiscal year October 1, 2023 to September 30, 2024 (*Senators Novelle E. Francis, Jr. and Donna A. Frett-Gregory, by Request of the Governor*)

Bill No. 35-0158 - An Act providing for the lump sum appropriation from the General Fund to the Virgin Islands Fire and Emergency Medical Service for the fiscal year October 1, 2023 to September 30, 2024 (*Senators Novelle E. Francis, Jr. and Donna A. Frett-Gregory, by Request of the Governor*)

Bill No. 35-0160 - An Act providing an appropriation from the Virgin Islands Lottery as a contribution to the General Fund for the Fiscal Year October 1, 2023 to September 30, 2024 (*Senators Novelle E. Francis, Jr. and Donna A. Frett-Gregory, by Request of the Governor*)

Bill No. 35-0161 - 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, 2023 through September 30, 2024 (*Senators Novelle E. Francis, Jr. and Donna A. Frett-Gregory, by Request of the Governor*)

Bill No. 35-0162 - An Act providing an appropriation to the Virgin Islands Taxicab Commission for the Fiscal Year October 1, 2023 to September 30, 2024 (*Senators Novelle E. Francis, Jr. and Donna A. Frett-Gregory, by Request of the Governor*)

Bill No. 35-0163 - An Act providing an appropriation from the Tourism Advertising Revolving Fund to the Virgin Islands Waste Management Authority, 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 and the Virgin Islands Department of Tourism during the fiscal year October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2024 (*Senators Novelle E. Francis, Jr. and Donna A. Frett-Gregory, by Request of the Governor*)

Bill No. 35-0164 - An Act providing an appropriation for the operating expenses of the Virgin Islands Bureau of Motor Vehicles from the Transportation Trust Fund during the Fiscal Year October 1, 2023 to

September 30, 2024 (*Senators Novelle E. Francis, Jr. and Donna A. Frett-Gregory, by Request of the Governor*)

Bill No. 35-0165 - An Act providing an appropriation from the Virgin Islands Insurance Guaranty Fund as a contribution to the General Fund of the Government of the Virgin Islands for the Fiscal Year October 1, 2023 to September 30, 2024 (*Senators Novelle E. Francis, Jr. and Donna A. Frett-Gregory, by Request of the Governor*)

Bill No. 35-0166 - An Act providing an appropriation for the operation of the Bureau of School Construction and Maintenance during the fiscal year October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024 (*Senators Novelle E. Francis, Jr. and Donna A. Frett-Gregory, by Request of the Governor*)

Bill No. 35-0167 - An Act providing an appropriation from the District Public Road Fund to the Virgin Islands Department of Public Works for the repairs of the government road in Estate Crown and Hawk, St. Thomas (*Senators Novelle E. Francis, Jr. and Donna A. Frett-Gregory, by Request of the Governor*)

Bill No. 35-0168 - An Act providing an appropriation of \$300,000 from the St. Thomas Capital Improvement Fund in the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024 to the University of the Virgin Islands for the construction of two sheds at John Brewers Beach on St. Thomas, Virgin Islands (*Senators Novelle E. Francis, Jr. and Donna A. Frett-Gregory, by Request of the Governor*)

Bill No. 35-0169 - An Act providing an appropriation of \$500,000 from the Education Initiative Fund in the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024 to the Department of Education, Division of Curriculum and Instruction for final editing and proofing of customized Virgin Islands History Textbooks; printing hardcover editions of customized Virgin Islands History Textbooks; and completion of K-8 Social Studies Curriculum (*Senators Novelle E. Francis, Jr. and Donna A. Frett-Gregory, by Request of the Governor*)