

# LEGISLATURE OF THE UNITED STATES VIRGIN ISLANDS



35<sup>th</sup> Legislature, THE HONORABLE SENATOR DIANE T. CAPEHART

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Committee on Economic Development & Agriculture  
Subcommittee on Health and Public Safety

## REVISED

**TO:** All Members, Committee on Rules and Judiciary  
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Honorable Franklin D. Johnson  
Honorable Carla J. Joseph

**FROM:** The Honorable Senator Diane T. Capehart  
Chair, Committee on Rules and Judiciary

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Diane T. Capehart", written over a horizontal line.

**DATE:** September 19, 2023

**RE:** Committee on Rules and Judiciary Meeting— Thursday, September 20, 2023

The Committee on Rules and Judiciary has scheduled a meeting for *Wednesday, September 20, 2023, at 9:30 AM in the Earl B. Ottley Legislative Hall, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands* to consider *Leases and Budget Bills*.

## BLOCK I - LEASES

**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 (*Sponsored by: Senator Novelle E. Francis, Jr. by Request of the Governor*)

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

**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 (*Sponsored by: Senator Novelle E. Francis, Jr., by Request of the Governor*)

## **BLOCK II - BUDGET BILLS**

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**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*)

## **BLOCK III - BUDGET BILLS**

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**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., Donna A. Frett-Gregory, and Dwayne M. DeGraff, 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*)

#### **BLOCK IV- BUDGET BILLS**

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**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*)

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**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*)

## **BLOCK V - BUDGET BILLS**

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**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 Donna A. Frett-Gregory and Angel Bolques, Jr.*)

Cc: All Senators  
All Chiefs of Staff  
All Divisions  
Public Affairs  
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