

BILL NO. 36-0073

Thirty-Sixth Legislature of the Virgin Islands

March 28, 2025

An Act amending title 18 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 1, section 4 and title 18 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 3, section 41 relating to the powers of the Supervisor of Elections and the Board of Elections

PROPOSED BY: Senator Alma Francis Heyliger

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the Virgin Islands:

SECTION 1. Title 18 Virgin Islands Code is amended as follows:

(a) chapter 1, section 4:

(1) subsection (a) is amended in the seventh sentence by striking “shall be entitled to” and inserting “may” by striking “an adverse ruling of” and inserting “their removal” and by striking “the Board”;

(2) subsection (b) is amended in the introductory phrase by striking “boards of elections” and inserting “Board”;

(3) subsection (b), paragraph (2) is amended by striking “boards of elections” and inserting “Board”; and

(4) By adding the following subsection (c):

(b) chapter 3, section 41, subsection (h) is amended in first sentence by striking “each Board shall be” and inserting “the Board is” and in the second sentence by striking “a” where it appears before “Board” and inserting “the”.

This bill amends title 18 Virgin Islands Code, section 4 to clarify that the Supervisor of Elections and the Deputy Supervisors of election may appeal their removal to the Superior Court of the Virgin Islands, that there is a singular Board of Elections and not two district Board of Elections and gives the Board of Elections explicit authority to overrule decisions of the Supervisor of Elections. Finally, it also amends section 41 to clarify that there is a singular Board of Elections.

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