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**AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE TO BILL NO. 36-0250
Offered by Senators Marise C. James and Clifford A. Joseph, Sr.**

Bill No. 36-0250 is amended by striking all the language after the short title and inserting the following:

“SECTION 1. Title 3 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 27, section 717 is amended by inserting the following subsection (d):

(d) Notwithstanding any other law, the System shall not reduce, revoke, or otherwise alter a member’s service resulting from a default or delinquency on any loan or financial obligation made through or administered by the System. Nothing in this subsection shall prohibit the System from pursuing collection of outstanding debts through lawful means, provided such actions do not alter the member's service. Service shall reflect the actual duration of government employment.”

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