COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY, JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

BILL NO. 36-0057

Thirty-Sixth Legislature of the Virgin Islands

March 28, 2025

An Act amending title 5 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 314, section 3733, subsection (a) to require automatic expungement of the arrest record and complaint or information when the accused has been acquitted

PROPOSED BY: Senator Alma Francis Heyliger

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the Virgin Islands:

2 SECTION 1. Title 5 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 314, section 3733, subsection (a) is

3 amended by striking paragraph (2) and by adding the following subsection (c):

4 "(c) Upon the acquittal of an accused, the Court shall enter an order expunging the

5 accused record of the arrest and the criminal complaint or information upon which the accused

6 was tried."

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BILL SUMMARY

8 This bill requires the Court enter an order expunging the arrest record and the complaint

9 or information upon which the accused was tried, if the accused was acquitted of the charges.

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