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36th Legislature of the Virgin Islands

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Committee on Education and Workforce Development

Committee on Housing, Transportation, and Telecommunications

Committee on Government Operations, Veterans Affairs,
and Consumer Protection

REVISED

COMMITTEE ON RULES AND JUDICIARY

AGENDA

Please be advised that the 36th Legislature of the Virgin Islands' Committee on Rules and Judiciary has scheduled a hearing **for Thursday, April 23, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. in the Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall on St. Thomas.** The purpose of the hearing is to receive testimonies from the Governor's Nominees and to consider the following legislative measures:

BLOCK I: NOMINEES

11:00 AM—12:00 PM

The Honorable Denise M. Francois, Governor's Nominee
Justice
Supreme Court of the Virgin Islands

Ms. Renee M. Andre, Esq., Governor's Nominee
Judge
Superior Court of the Virgin Islands, Division of St. Thomas- St. John

BLOCK II: BILL

12:00 PM—1:00 PM

Bill No. 36-0194 - A resolution urging the United States Congress and the Office of the United States Trade Representative to expand and modernize the Caribbean Basin Initiative (CBI) to further support economic growth and development in the Virgin Islands and the wider Caribbean region. Proposed by Senator Angel L. Bolques, Jr., Sponsored by Senator Carla J. Joseph and Co-Sponsored by Senator Hubert L. Frederick

Invited Testifier

Mr. David Bornn Esq., *Resident*

LUNCH

1:00 PM — 1:30 PM

BLOCK III: BILLS

1:30 PM—3:00 PM

Bill No. 36-0009 - A Resolution honoring and commending Mr. Steven van Beverhoudt for his years of dedicated service and numerous contributions to the people of the Virgin Islands. **Proposed by Senator Milton E. Potter, Sponsored by Senator Angel L. Bolques, Jr. and Co-Sponsor by Senator Ray Fonseca**

Bill No. 36-0207 - An act amending title 3 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 25, subchapter VI, by adding section 590d and title 24 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 1, by adding section 24 requiring employers to grant parents or legal guardians of a child with a diagnosed disability, two hours per month of paid leave to attend the child's medical appointments. **Proposed by Senators Avery L. Lewis, Sponsored by Senators Angel L. Bolques, Jr., Clifford Joseph, Sr., Kenneth L. Gittens, and Marise C. James**

Bill No. 36-0236 - An act amending title 33 Virgin Islands Code, subtitle 3, chapter 111, section 3061 by increasing the amount of money that is to remain in the Virgin Islands Insurance Guaranty Fund before any interest can be deposited into the General Fund. **Proposed by Senator Kurt A. Violet, Sponsored by Senators Avery L. Lewis, Dwayne M. DeGraff, and Clifford A. Joseph, Sr.**

Bill No. 36-0258 - An act reprogramming administrative fees resulting from the bonds issued for the Fortress Investment Group transfer for various projects and initiatives to enhance the economic development of St. Croix and to be deposited into the Budget Stabilization Fund. **Proposed by Senator Kurt A. Violet, Sponsored by Senators Avery L. Lewis, Dwayne M. DeGraff, and Clifford Joseph, Sr. and Co-sponsored by Senator Hubert L. Frederick**

Bill No. 36-0232 - An act amending Act No. 8018 to authorize the disposal of green waste using controlled incineration technologies, including air curtain incinerators, and for other purposes. **Proposed by Senator Clifford A. Joseph, Sr., Sponsored by Senators Avery L. Lewis, Kenneth L. Gittens, and Franklin D. Johnson**

Bill No. 36-0149 - A resolution honoring and commending Janeisha John for her outstanding achievements, pioneering spirit, and significant contributions to the fields of entertainment, modeling, and television production, celebrating her role as a cultural ambassador, trailblazer, and inspirational leader of the Virgin Islands. **Proposed by Senator Angel L. Bolques, Jr.**

Bill No. 36-0238 - An act amending title 29, Virgin Islands Code, chapter 23 to redirect hotel development net bond proceeds to the Government Employees' Retirement System of the Virgin Islands. **Proposed by Senator Avery L. Lewis**

Bill No 36-0257 - An act transferring Parcel No. 2C Estate Ross, 8 New Quarter, St. Thomas, from the Virgin Islands Housing Finance Authority to the Virgin Islands Department of Education for use by the Charlotte Amalie High School. **Proposed by Senator Avery L. Lewis**

Bill No. 36-0275 - An act approving the amended lease agreement between the Government of the Virgin Islands, acting through the Commissioner of the Department of Property and Procurement, and Hearts In Service Association, Inc., for the leasing of Parcel No. 175C Estate Anna's Retreat No. 1 New Quarter, St. Thomas for the purpose of providing eligible programs and services to homeless families, individuals, veterans, and at-risk youth and the operation of a soup kitchen and other related purposes. **Proposed by Senators Milton E. Potter, Marvin A. Blyden and Avery L. Lewis, by Request of the Governor**

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