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COMMITTEE ON RULES AND JUDICIARY

AGENDA

Please be advised that the 36th Legislature of the Virgin Islands Committee on Rules and Judiciary has schedule a hearing for Monday, September 15, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. in the Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall on St. Thomas. The purpose of the hearing is to consider the bills pertaining to the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget.

BLOCK I:

<u>Bill No. 36-0154</u> -- An act providing a lump-sum appropriation from the Health Revolving Fund to the Virgin Islands Department of Health and a contribution to the General Fund of the Treasury of the Government of the Virgin Islands for fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 **Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.**

Bill No. 36-0155 -- An act providing a lump sum appropriation from the General Fund to the Virgin Islands Fire and Emergency Medical Services Fund for the fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.

<u>Bill No. 36-0156</u> -- 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 for the fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 **Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.**

<u>Bill No. 36-0157</u> -- An act providing an appropriation from the Virgin Islands Lottery as a contribution to the General Fund of the Treasury of the Government of the Virgin Islands for the fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 **Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.**

<u>Bill No. 36-0158</u> -- An act providing an appropriation from the District Public Road Fund of the Government of the Virgin Islands to the Department of Public Works for operating expenses for the fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 **Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.**

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<u>Bill No. 36-0159</u> -- An act providing an appropriation from the Indirect Cost Fund for the operating expenses of the Office of Management and Budget, the Virgin Islands Division of Personnel, the Virgin Islands Department of Property and Procurement and the Virgin Islands Department of Finance for the fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 **Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.**

<u>Bill No. 36-0160</u> -- An act providing an appropriation from the General Fund of the Treasury of the Government of the Virgin Islands to the St. Croix Capital Improvement Fund and the St. Thomas Capital Improvement Fund for fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 **Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.**

<u>Bill No. 36-0161</u> -- An act appropriating \$25,500,000 to the Legislature of the Virgin Islands in the fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 **Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.**

<u>Bill No. 36-0162</u> -- An act appropriating \$20,000,000 from the Virgin Islands Insurance Guaranty Fund as a contribution to the General Fund of the Treasury of the Government of the Virgin Islands in the fiscal year October 1, 2025 through, September 30, 2026 **Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.**

<u>Bill No. 36-0163</u> -- An act providing an appropriation for salaries and expenses of the Virgin Islands Board of Elections and the Office of the Supervisor of Elections in the fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 **Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.**

BLOCK II:

<u>Bill No. 36-0164</u> -- An act providing a lump-sum appropriation from the School Construction, Maintenance and Capital Fund to the Bureau of School Construction and Maintenance for repair, renovation and maintenance of public schools and facilities in fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 **Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.**

<u>Bill No. 36-0165</u> -- An act appropriating \$6,000,000 from the Caribbean Basin Initiative Fund as a contribution to the General Fund of the Treasury of the Government of the Virgin Islands in fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 **Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.**

Bill No. 36-0166 -- An act providing an appropriation from the Tourism Advertising Revolving Fund to the Virgin Islands Waste Management Authority, the 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, the Virgin Islands Department of Licensing and Consumer Affairs, the Virgin Islands Public Broadcasting System and the Virgin Islands Department of Tourism during the fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.

<u>Bill No. 36-0167</u> -- An act providing an appropriation for the salaries and expenses of the University of the Virgin Islands for the fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 **Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.**

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<u>Bill No. 36-0168</u> -- 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, 2025 through September 30, 2026 **Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.**

<u>Bill No. 36-0169</u> -- An act appropriating the sum of \$1,000,000 from the Virgin Islands Education Initiative Fund to the School of Construction, Maintenance and Capital Fund for the fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 **Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.**

<u>Bill No. 36-0170</u> -- 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, 2025 through September 30, 2026 **Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.**

<u>Bill No. 36-0171</u> -- 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, 2025 through September 30, 2026 **Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.**

<u>Bill No. 36-0172</u> -- An act providing an appropriation for the operating expenses of the Virgin Islands Office of the Inspector General from the General Fund of the Treasury of the Government of the Virgin Islands for the fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 **Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.**

<u>Bill No. 36-0173</u> -- 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, 2025 through September 30, 2026 **Sponsored by:** Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.

BLOCK III:

<u>Bill No. 36-0175</u> -- An act providing an appropriation for the operating expenses of the Public Services Commission for the fiscal year October 1, 2025 to September 30, 2026 **Sponsored by:** Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.

<u>Bill No. 36-0176</u> -- An act providing an appropriation from the General Fund of the Treasury of the Government of the Virgin Islands to the St. John Capital Improvement Fund for fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 **Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.**

<u>Bill No. 36-0177</u> -- An act providing an appropriation for the operating expenses of the Virgin Islands Board of Education from the General Fund of the Treasury of the Government of the Virgin Islands during the fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 **Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.**

<u>Bill No. 36-0178</u> -- An act providing an appropriation from the Transportation Trust Fund as a contribution to the General Fund and for the operating expenses of the Virgin Islands Bureau of Motor Vehicles and the Department of Public Works during the fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 **Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.**

<u>Bill No. 36-0179</u> -- 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, 2025 through September 30, 2026 **Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.**

<u>Bill No. 36-0180</u> -- An act providing an appropriation to the Virgin Islands Taxicab Commission for the fiscal year October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 **Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.**

<u>Bill No. 36-0181</u> -- 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, 2025 through September 30, 2026 **Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.**

<u>Bill No. 36-0182</u> -- An act providing an appropriation for the operating expenses of the Virgin Islands Waste Management Authority from the General Fund of the Treasury of the Government of the Virgin Islands during the fiscal year October 1, 2025 to September 30, 2026 **Sponsored by:** Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.

<u>Bill No. 36-0186</u> -- An act appropriating \$6,074,209 from the GVI/JPMC Charitable Fund to the General Fund of the Treasury of the Government of the Virgin Islands **Sponsored by: Senator Novelle E. Francis, Jr.**

<u>Bill No. 36-0120</u> -- An act appropriating the sum of \$341,460 from the Virgin Islands Education Initiative Fund to the Virgin Islands Department of Education for the purpose of conducting evaluations to determine students' eligibility for special education services **Sponsored by: Senators Kurt A. Vialet and Clifford A. Joseph Sr.**

Bill No. 36-0174 -- 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, 2025 through September 30, 2026 and amending title 3 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 27 requiring legislative approval for increased employer and employee contribution amounts to the Government Employees Retirement System Sponsored by: Senators Milton E. Potter and Novelle E. Francis, Jr.

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