



LEGISLATURE OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS

REGULAR SESSION - OFFICIAL AGENDA **REVISED V**

Date: Friday, September 25, 2026
Time: 10:00 A.M. – **Convened: 10:45 A.M.**
Location: Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall
Call to Order: Honorable Milton E. Potter
Senate President, 36th Legislature
Anthems: National Anthem and Virgin Islands March
Invocation: Reverend Charles L. Brown, Jr., Chaplain
Roll Call: Honorable Avery L. Lewis, Legislative Secretary
(14 Present/1 Excused) Letter of absence written by
Senator Kenneth L. Gittens

Committee Reports: (waived)

Special Orders/Overrides:

Special Orders: Bill No.36-0352
Bill No. 36-0385
Bill No. 36-0392
Bill No. 36-0393
Bill No. 36-0394

Overrides: Bill No. 36-0344 (**Approved – 11 Yeas, 2 Nays, 2 Absent**)

CONSIDERATION OF FLOOR AGENDA

BLOCK I (2-minute debate) **CONSIDERATION OF NOMINATIONS**

Mr. Wilbur Smith

Member, Virgin Islands Government Hospitals and Health Facilities Corporation Board
St. Thomas – St. John District

(Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)

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The Honorable Osbert E. Potter

Virgin Islands Public Broadcasting System (WTJX) Board of Directors

(Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)

Mr. Henry E. Schjang

Virgin Islands Public Broadcasting System (WTJX) Board of Directors

(Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)

Mrs. Lisa Brown Williams, Esq.

Virgin Islands Public Broadcasting System (WTJX) Board of Directors

(Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)

CONSIDERATION OF LEASE AGREEMENTS, EASEMENTS AND ZONINGS

Bill No. [36-0290](#)

An act granting a zoning use variance for Plot No. 104 Estate Concordia, Westend Quarter, St. Croix from the R-2 (Residential Low Density–One and Two Family) to allow for the construction and operation of a beauty salon **(Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

Bill No. [36-0293](#)

An act approving the lease agreement between the Government of the Virgin Islands and The St. Thomas Cricket Association Inc. for Parcel No-2 of Tract I Estate Nazareth, No. 1 Red Hook Quarter, St. Thomas consisting of 312,150.96 sq. ft. or 7.166 US acres more or less **(Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

Bill No. [36-0311](#)

An act approving a multi-year lease agreement between the Government of the Virgin Islands, acting through its Commissioner of the Department of Property and Procurement, and L.J. Auto Repairs LLC, for a portion of Parcel No. 22 Revised Submarine Base, No.6 Southside Quarter, St. Thomas, consisting of 3,400 U.S. sq. ft. or 0.078 U.S. acre(s), more-or-less, of semi improved land to operate a garage and auto repair shop **(Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

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Bill No. [36-0331](#)

An act approving the lease agreement modification and extension between the Government of the Virgin Islands, acting through the Commissioner of the Department of Property and Procurement, and Paradise Paws VI, LLC, for Parcel No. 180-I Submarine Base. No.6 Southside Quarter, St. Thomas **(Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

Bill No. [36-0339](#)

An act approving the lease agreement between the Government of the Virgin Islands, acting through the Commissioner of the Department of Property and Procurement, and Eight One Subbase, LLC for Parcel Nos. 81A and 81B, Submarine Base, No. 6 Southside Quarter, St. Thomas to develop a food court **(Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

BLOCK II (3-minute debate)

CONSIDERATION OF FY 2027 BUDGET BILLS

Bill No. [36-0362](#)

An act appropriating \$34,066,859 for the salaries and expenses of the University of the Virgin Islands during the fiscal year October 1, 2026, through September 30, 2027. **(closed rule) (Approved – 13 Yeas/2 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

Bill No. [36-0363](#)

An act appropriating \$4,240,574 from the Business and Commercial Properties Revolving Fund to the Virgin Islands Department of Property and Procurement for operating expenses during the fiscal year October 1, 2026, through September 30, 2027. **(closed rule) (Approved – 13 Yeas/2 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

Bill No. [36-0364](#)

An act appropriating \$6,300,000 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, 2026, through September 30, 2027. **(closed rule) (Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

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Bill No. [36-0365](#)

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 during the fiscal year October 1, 2026, through September 30, 2027. **(closed rule) (Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

Bill No. [36-0366](#)

An act appropriating \$500,000 from the Education Initiative Fund of the Government of the Virgin Islands to the Department of Education during the fiscal year October 1, 2026, through September 30, 2027, for final editing, proofing and printing of hardcover editions of the customized Virgin Islands History textbooks and for completion of kindergarten through eighth grade Social Studies curriculum. **(closed rule) (Approved – 13 Yeas/2 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

Bill No. [36-0367](#)

An act appropriating \$1,500,000 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 during the fiscal year October 1, 2026, through September 30, 2027. **(closed rule) (Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

Bill No. [36-0368](#)

An act appropriating \$3,110,096 from the Indirect Cost Fund during the fiscal year October 1, 2026, to September 30, 2027, for the operating expenses of the Office of Management and Budget, the Virgin Islands Division of Personnel, and the Virgin Islands Departments of Finance and Property and Procurement. **(closed rule) (Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

Bill No. [36-0369](#)

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 during the fiscal year October 1, 2026, through September 30, 2027. **(closed rule) (Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

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Bill No. [36-0370](#)

An act appropriating \$1,100,000 from the Virgin Islands Lottery as a contribution to the General Fund of the Treasury of the Government of the Virgin Islands during the fiscal year October 1, 2026, through September 30, 2027. **(closed rule) (Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

Bill No. [36-0371](#)

An act appropriating \$45,950,000 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 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, 2026, through September 30, 2027. **(closed rule) (Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

Bill No. [36-0372](#)

An act appropriating \$12,000,000 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, 2026, to September 30, 2027. **(closed rule) (Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

Bill No. [36-0373](#)

An act appropriating \$2,750,000 for salaries and expenses of the Virgin Islands Board of Elections and the Office of the Supervisor of Elections during the fiscal year October 1, 2026, through September 30, 2027. **(closed rule) (Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

Bill No. [36-0374](#)

An act appropriating \$2,137,697 from the General Fund of the Treasury of the Government of the Virgin Islands for the operating expenses of the Virgin Islands Board of Education during the fiscal year October 1, 2026, through September 30, 2027. **(closed rule) (Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

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Bill No. [36-0375](#)

An act appropriating \$689,681 from the General Fund of the Treasury of the Government of the Virgin Islands for the operating expenses of the Virgin Islands Career and Technical Education Board during the fiscal year October 1, 2026, through September 30, 2027. **(closed rule) (Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

Bill No. [36-0376](#)

An act appropriating \$66,500,000 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, 2026, through September 30, 2027. **(closed rule) (Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

Bill No. [36-0377](#)

An act appropriating \$49,534,620 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, 2026, through September 30, 2027. **(closed rule) (Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

Bill No. [36-0378](#)

An act appropriating \$26,121,131 to the Legislature of the Virgin Islands during the fiscal year October 1, 2026, through September 30, 2027. **(closed rule) (Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

Bill No. [36-0379](#)

An act appropriating \$3,198,392 for the operating expenses of the Office of the Virgin Islands Inspector General from the General Fund of the Treasury of the Government of the Virgin Islands during the fiscal year October 1, 2026, through September 30, 2027. **(closed rule) (Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

Bill No. [36-0380](#)

An act appropriating \$1,971,910 for the operating expenses of the Public Employees Relations Board and the Virgin Islands Labor Management Committee during the fiscal year October 1, 2026, through September 30, 2027. **(closed rule)**

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Bill No. [36-0381](#)

An act appropriating \$2,395,129 for the operating expenses of the Public Services Commission during the fiscal year October 1, 2026, to September 30, 2027. **(closed rule) (Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

Bill No. [36-0382](#)

An act appropriating \$554,637 to the Virgin Islands Taxicab Commission during the fiscal year October 1, 2026, through September 30, 2027. **(closed rule) (Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

Bill No. [36-0383](#)

An act appropriating \$32,500,000 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, 2026, to September 30, 2027. **(closed rule) (Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

Bill No. [36-0384](#)

An act appropriating \$739,218,837 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, 2026, through September 30, 2027. **(closed rule) (Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

Amended by:

36-957

Bill No. [36-0386](#)

An act appropriating \$1,500,000 from the General Fund of the Treasury of the Government of the Virgin Islands to the St. John Capital Improvement Fund during the fiscal year October 1, 2026, through September 30, 2027. **(closed rule) (Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

Bill No. [36-0387](#)

An act appropriating \$1,500,000 from the General Fund of the Treasury of the Government of the Virgin Islands to the St. Thomas Capital Improvement Fund during the fiscal year October 1, 2026, through September 30, 2027. **(closed rule) (Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

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Bill No. [36-0388](#)

An act appropriating \$2,000,000 from the General Fund of the Treasury of the Government of the Virgin Islands to the St. Croix Capital Improvement Fund during the fiscal year October 1, 2026, through September 30, 2027. **(closed rule) (Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

Bill No. [36-0390](#)

An act amending Act No. 9035 by reprogramming the appropriated funds to the Department of Education to pay current and prior year obligations for the Department of Education and the Bureau of School Construction and Maintenance. **(closed rule) (Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

Bill No. [36-0391](#)

An act amending title 33 Virgin Islands Code, subtitle 3, part II, chapter 111, section 3039a by revising the allocation of the monies deposited into the Virgin Islands Water and Power Generating and Infrastructure Fund. **(closed rule) (Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

CONSIDERATION OF HEALTH INSURANCE RENEWAL

Bill No. [36-0389](#)

An act ratifying the First Renewal of Group Life and Accidental Death and Dismemberment Insurance; First Renewal of Group Vision Insurance; Third Renewal of Group Medical Health Insurance; and the Second Renewal of Voluntary (Employee-Paid) Critical Illness Insurance, Voluntary (Employee-Paid) Accidental Injury Insurance, and Voluntary (Employee-Paid) Hospital Care Insurance **(Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

BLOCK III (3-minute debate) **CONSIDERATION OF BILLS**

Bill No. [36-0192](#)

An act amending title 34 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 15 to enact the Senior Financial Protection and Exploitation Prevention Act of 2026 **(Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

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Bill No. [36-0247](#)

An act amending title 32 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 2, establishing the Territorial Park Naming Program creating a uniform process for naming and renaming parks, recreational areas, and facilities owned by the Government of the Virgin Islands **(Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

Amended by:

Amend No. 36-959

Bill No. [36-0301](#)

An act amending title 14 Virgin Islands Code prohibiting incarcerated persons from possessing or using electronic communication or recording devices **(Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

Bill No. [36-0303](#)

An act amending title 20 Virgin Islands Code, part II, chapter 38, section 424 to update child passenger safety requirements applicable to rental vehicles **(Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

Bill No. [36-0352](#)

An act appropriating the sum of \$500,000 from the St. John Capital Improvements Fund to the Virgin Islands Department of Public Works, to mill, resurface and pave the Rudolph A. Thomas, Jr. Road and Contant Point Road, on St. John **(Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

Amended by:

Amend No. 36-966

Bill No. [36-0385](#)

An act enacting pedestrian safety measures at the former Addelita Cancryn Junior High School pedestrian bridge **(Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

Bill No. [36-0392](#)

An act amending title 33 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 111 creating the Virgin Islands Contractor Bonds Cost Revolving Loan Fund **(Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

Bill No. [36-0393](#)

An act amending Act No. 9035 to reprogram funds within the 2026 fiscal year budget for Virgin Islands Department of Health to provide a \$2,500,000 appropriation for behavioral health services **(Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

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Bill No. [36-0394](#)

An act appropriating \$2,000,000 to the Department of Agriculture for repairs and improvements to the St. Thomas abattoir **(Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

Amended by:

Amend No. 36-965

Bill No. [36-0308](#)

An act appropriating the sum of \$150,000 from the Virgin Islands Education Initiative Fund to the Virgin Islands Department of Education to conduct a biennial fixed asset inventory **(non-germane) (Approved – 14 Yeas/1 Absent – 09/25/2026)**

Amended by:

Amend No. 36-944

Amend No. 36-950

Amend No. 36-803

Session Adjourned: 5:30 P.M.

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