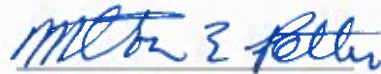


LEGISLATURE OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS
CERTIFICATE OF ENACTMENT
NOTWITHSTANDING THE GOVERNOR'S VETO

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT, Bill No. 36-0085 - An act to prevent or rescind any automatic implementation of salary adjustments made pursuant to the recommendations of the Virgin Islands Public Officials Compensation Commission and to provide for the return of any money disbursed or salary increases paid to be returned to the General Fund of the Treasury of the Government of the Virgin Islands by the Thirty-Sixth Legislature of the Virgin Islands at its regular session held on June 4, 2025, (a copy of which is attached hereto) and vetoed by the Governor on June 13, 2025, was duly enacted by override by the Thirty-Sixth Legislature at its regular session held on June 27, 2025, pursuant to section 9(d) of the Revised Organic Act of the Virgin Islands, 48 U.S.C. §1575 (d).

DATED: 6/30/2025




Milton E. Potter
President

ATTEST:


Avery L. Lewis
Legislative Secretary

OVERRIDDEN
DATE: 06/27/2025

ACT NO. 8996

BILL NO. 36-0085

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GOVERNOR

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WHEREAS, pursuant to section 20 of the Revised Organic Act of Virgin Islands, the Legislature of the Virgin Islands has the exclusive authority to prescribe the laws for “[t]he salaries and travel allowances of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, the heads of the executive departments, other officers and employees of the government of the Virgin Islands, and the members of the legislature. . . .”

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the Virgin Islands has established the salary of the Governor at \$150,000 and that of the Lieutenant Governor at \$125,000, codified at title 3 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 1, section 1, subsection (a) and title 3 Virgin Islands Code, section 31, subsection (a), respectively;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the authority granted under title 3 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 25, section 544, on or about August 13, 2024, the Virgin Islands Public Officials Compensation Commission issued a report and recommendations, regarding salaries for “government officials” as defined in 3 V.I. C. § 541(c); Now Therefore,

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the Virgin Islands:

SECTION 1. (a) Notwithstanding title 3 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 25, section 546, the recommendations for compensation issued by the Virgin Islands Public Officials Compensation Commission, dated August 2024, are null and void, and if implemented, the recommendations are rescinded.

(b) Not later than 30 days after the enactment of this act, all funds disbursed, or salary increases paid to public officials pursuant to the Commission’s recommendations must be returned to the General Fund of the Treasury of the Government of the Virgin Islands.”

Thus passed by the Legislature of the Virgin Islands on June 4, 2025.

Witness our Hands and Seal of the Legislature of the Virgin Islands this 5th day of June, A.D., 2025.



Milton E. Potter
President

Avery L. Lewis
Secretary

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June 30, 2025

The Honorable Albert Bryan, Jr.

Governor of the Virgin Islands

Office of the Governor

No. 20-21 Kongens Gade

Charlotte Amalie

St. Thomas, Virgin Islands 00802

Dear Governor Bryan:

During its Regular Session on June 27, 2025, the Thirty-Sixth Legislature of the Virgin Islands overrode your veto of Bills No. 36-0053 and 36-0085

Sincerely,



Avery L. Lewis
Legislative Secretary