

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT SERVICES,
CONSUMER AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS

BILL NO. 31-0333

Thirty-first Legislature of the Virgin Islands

March 23, 2016

An Act amending title 25 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 16, section 405 relating to the mooring and anchoring of vessels in the Virgin Islands to provide for increases in the fee schedules

PROPOSED BY: Senator Novelle E. Francis, Jr.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the Virgin Islands:

SECTION 1. Title 25 Virgin Islands Code Chapter 16, section 405 is amended in the following instances:

(a) The title is amended after “Mooring” by inserting “and Anchoring”;

(b) Subsection (a) is amended--

(1) in the second sentence by striking the phrase “under section 403 of; and

(2) in the third sentence by striking “an annual fee of five dollars (\$5.00)” and inserting “a fee”;

(c) Subsection (e) is re-designated as subsection (g) and amended by striking the first sentence in its entirety;

(d) A new subsection (e) is inserted and reads as follows:

“(e) The vessel mooring fees and the vessel anchoring fees are as established in Schedules I and II of this subsection.

SCHEDULE I, VESSEL MOORING FEE BY CLASS

CLASS	LENGTH	TYPE/USE	FEE (PER FOOT)
CLASS A	Less than 16’	Pleasure	\$10.00
		Commercial	\$20.00
CLASS I	16’ to less than 26’	Pleasure	\$10.00
		Live-Aboard	\$15.00
		Commercial	\$20.00
CLASS II	26’ to less than 40’	Pleasure	\$10.00
		Live-Aboard	\$5.00
		Commercial	\$20.00
CLASS III	40’ to less than 65’	Pleasure	\$10.00
		Live-Aboard	\$15.00
		Commercial	\$20.00
CLASS IV	Greater than 65’	Pleasure	\$10.00
		Live-Aboard	\$15.00
		Environmental Impact Fee	\$20.00

SCHEDULE II, VESSEL ANCHORING FEE BY CLASS

CLASS	LENGTH	TYPE/USE	FEE (PER FOOT)
CLASS A	Less than 16'	Pleasure	\$2.00
		Commercial	\$3.00
CLASS I	16' to less than 26'	Pleasure	\$2.00
		Live-Aboard	\$3.00
		Commercial	\$3.00
CLASS II	26' to less than 40'	Pleasure	\$2.00
		Live-Aboard	\$3.00
		Commercial	\$3.00
CLASS III	40' to less than 65'	Pleasure	\$3.00
		Live-Aboard	\$3.00
		Commercial	\$4.00
CLASS IV	Greater than 65'	Pleasure	\$3.00
		Live-Aboard	\$3.00
		Environmental Impact Fee	\$4.00

BILL SUMMARY

This bill seeks to amend title 25 of the Virgin Islands Code as it relates to mooring and anchoring of vessels in the Virgin Islands. The current mooring fee is set at \$5.00 per foot per vessel regardless of the type of use. The proposed mooring fees are \$10.00 per foot length for Pleasure Vessels, \$15.00 per foot for Live-Aboard Vessels and \$20.00 per foot length for Commercial Vessels per year.

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