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BILL NO. 31-0508

Thirty-first Legislature of the Virgin Islands

December 20, 2016

An Act amending title 33 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 3, section 58 relating to the emergency services surcharge

PROPOSED BY: Senator Novelle Francis, Jr.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the Virgin Islands:

SECTION 1. Title 33 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 3, section 58, is amended as follows:

(a) subsection (c) by striking “\$1.00” and inserting “\$2.00”; and

(b) subsection (f) by striking all the language and inserting new language that reads:

“Each fiscal year, the Department of Finance shall disburse the proceeds of the emergency services surcharge as follows:

(1) 40% to the Virgin Islands Territorial Emergency Management Agency;

(2) 30% to the Department of Health --- Emergency Medical Services Unit for supplies, training, and personnel; and

(3) 30% to the Virgin Islands Fire Services.”

BILL SUMMARY

This bill amends title 33 Virgin Islands Code section 58, subsection (c) by increasing the amount of the emergency service surcharge from \$1.00 to \$2.00 and adding new language in subsection (f) changing the use of the proceeds from funding the Territory's Public Safety Answering Point System and to establishment, maintenance and operation of a mobile 911 system to be used 40% to the VITEMA; 30% to the Department of Health for the Emergency Medical Services Unit; and 30% to the Virgin Islands Fire Services.

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