

BILL NO. 32-0001

Thirty-second Legislature of the Virgin Islands

January 9, 2017

A Resolution organizing and establishing the Majority Caucus, electing the officers, appointing the chairpersons, vice-chairpersons and members of the standing committees of the Thirty-Second Legislature, and adopting the Rules of the Thirty-Second Legislature

PROPOSED BY: Senators Marvin A. Blyden, Jean A. Forde, Novelle E. Francis, Jr., Myron D. Jackson, Neville A. James, Nereida Rivera-O'Reilly, Sammuels Sanes, Kevin A. Rodriguez, Brian A. Smith, and Kurt A. Violet

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the Virgin Islands:

SECTION 1. THAT the Thirty-Second Legislature adopts in whole the document entitled "Resolution establishing the Majority Caucus of the Thirty-Second Legislature of the Virgin Islands, dated November 16, 2016, attached as Appendix A to, and made a part of this Resolution which bears the signatures of Senators Marvin A. Blyden, Jean A. Forde, Novelle E. Francis, Jr., Myron D. Jackson, Neville A. James, Nereida Rivera-O'Reilly, Kevin A. Rodriguez, Sammuels Sanes, Brian A. Smith, and Kurt A. Violet and establishes the Majority Caucus of the Thirty-Second Legislature.

SECTION 2. THAT the following members are elected to the offices of the Thirty-Second Legislature as set forth in subsections (a) through (h) of this section.

(a) Senator Myron D. Jackson is elected President.

(b) Senator Nereida Rivera-O'Reilly is elected Vice-President.

(c) Senator Jean A. Forde is elected Secretary.

(d) Senator Neville A. James is elected Majority Leader.

(e) Senator Jean A. Forde is elected Secretary for Intergovernmental and Territorial Affairs.

(f) Senator Marvin A. Blyden is elected Liaison to the United States Congress.

(g) Senator Brian A. Smith is elected Liaison to the United States Department of Interior, Office of Insular Affairs.

(h) Senator Sammuel Sanes is elected Liaison to the White House.

SECTION 3. THAT the following standing Committees of the Thirty-Second Legislature are established, and the chairpersons, vice-chairpersons, and members are appointed to the committees as set forth subsections (a) through (i) of this section.

(a) The Committee on Rules and the Judiciary consists of:

(1) Chair, Senator Novelle E. Francis, Jr.;

(2) Vice-Chair, Senator Jean A. Forde;

(3) Senator Myron D. Jackson;

(4) Senator Sammuel Sanes;

(5) Senator Janette Millin Young;

(6) Senator Positive T. A. Nelson; and

(7) Senator Kevin A. Rodriquez.

(b) The Committee on Finance consists of:

(1) Chair, Senator Kurt A. Violet;

(2) Vice Chair, Senator Marvin A. Blyden;

- 1 (3) Senator Neville A. James;
- 2 (4) Senator Nereida Rivera-O'Reilly;
- 3 (5) Senator Brian A. Smith;
- 4 (6) Senator Tregenza A. Roach; and
- 5 (7) Senator Dwayne M. DeGraff.

6 (c) The Committee on Health, Hospitals and Human Services consists of:

- 7 (1) Chair, Senator Nereida Rivera-O'Reilly;
- 8 (2) Vice-Chair, Senator Kurt A. Violet;
- 9 (3) Senator Marvin A. Blyden;
- 10 (4) Senator Novelle E. Francis, Jr.;
- 11 (5) Senator Janette Millin Young;
- 12 (6) Senator Sammuel Sanes; and
- 13 (7) Senator Dwayne M. DeGraff.

14 (d) The Committee on Education, Youth and Recreation consists of:

- 15 (1) Chair, Senator Jean A. Forde;
- 16 (2) Vice-Chair, Senator Neville A. James;
- 17 (3) Senator Kurt A. Violet;
- 18 (4) Senator Novelle E. Francis, Jr.;
- 19 (5) Senator Myron D. Jackson;
- 20 (6) Senator Tregenza A. Roach; and
- 21 (7) Senator Kevin A. Rodriquez.

22 (e) The Committee on Workforce Development, Consumer Affairs and Culture,

23 consists of:

- 1 (1) Chair, Senator Kevin A. Rodriquez;
- 2 (2) Vice-Chair, Senator Myron D. Jackson;
- 3 (3) Senator Janette Millin Young;
- 4 (4) Senator Brian A. Smith;
- 5 (5) Senator Positive T. A. Nelson;
- 6 (6) Senator Alicia Hansen; and
- 7 (7) Senator Marvin A. Blyden.

8 (f) The Committee on Housing, Public Works, Waste Management and Planning
9 consists of:

- 10 (1) Chair, Senator Marvin A. Blyden;
- 11 (2) Vice-Chair, Senator Sammuel Sanes;
- 12 (3) Senator Neville A. James;
- 13 (4) Senator Kevin A. Rodriquez ;
- 14 (5) Senator Janette Millin Young;
- 15 (6) Senator Alicia Hansen; and
- 16 (7) Senator Brian A. Smith.

17 (g) The Committee on Homeland Security, Justice and Public Safety
18 consists of:

- 19 (1) Chair, Senator Brian A. Smith;
- 20 (2) Vice-Chair, Senator Novelle E. Francis, Jr.
- 21 (3) Senator Jean A. Forde;
- 22 (4) Senator Nereida Rivera-O'Reilly;
- 23 (5) Senator Positive T.A. Nelson;

1 (6) Senator Dwayne M. DeGraff; and

2 (7) Senator Alicia Hansen.

3 (h) The Committee on Economic Development and Agriculture consists of:

4 (1) Chair, Senator Neville A. James;

5 (2) Vice-Chair, Senator Brian A. Smith;

6 (3) Senator Sammuel Sanes;

7 (4) Senator Dwayne M. DeGraff;

8 (5) Senator Nereida Rivera O'Reilly;

9 (6) Senator Kurt A. Violet;

10 (7) Senator Marvin A. Blyden;

11 (8) Senator Positive T.A. Nelson; and

12 (9) Senator Tregenza A. Roach.

13 (i) The Committee on Government Affairs, Veterans, Energy, and Environmental
14 Protection consists of:

15 (1) Chair, Senator Sammuel Sanes;

16 (2) Vice-Chair, Senator Kevin A. Rodriguez;

17 (3) Senator Jean A. Forde;

18 (4) Senator Nereida Rivera O'Reilly;

19 (5) Senator Alicia Hansen;

20 (6) Senator Tregenza A. Roach; and

21 (7) Senator Janette Millin Young.

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