

ACT NO. 6792

BILL NO. 26-0145

TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS

Regular Session

2005

To appropriate monies for salaries, operating expenses and equipment of the Legislature of the Virgin Islands for Fiscal Year ending September 30, 2006

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BE IT ENACTED by the Legislature of the Virgin Islands:

SECTION 1. The sum of \$16,900,000 is appropriated for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, from the General Fund of the Treasury of the Virgin Islands to the Legislature of the Virgin Islands for salaries, equipment, supplies and other operating expenses.

SECTION 2. The sum of \$1,000, 000 is appropriated in the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, from interest earned of debt service reserves to the Legislature of the Virgin Islands for capital improvements.

SECTION 3. Title 2 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 5 is amended by adding section 76 to read as follows:

"§76. Senatorial Allotments

(a) Each member shall receive a base allotment of 2% of the total budget of the Legislative Branch for the operation of the member's senatorial office.

(b) The member designated by a resolution passed by the majority as President of the Senate, in addition to the base allotment, shall receive an additional allotment not to exceed 1% of the total budget of the Legislative Branch to perform the additional responsibilities and duties of the Office of the President.

(c) Members designated as committee chairs by a resolution passed by a majority of senators, in addition to the base allotment, shall all receive and equal

additional allotment not to exceed .5% of the total budget of the Legislative Branch to perform the additional responsibilities of chairing their respective committees.

(d) The member elected to the at-large seat, in addition to his base allotment, and in addition to any other allotment for chairing a senate committee, shall receive an additional allotment not to exceed 5% of the total budget of the Legislative Branch to provide for the staffing of the member's offices in both districts. In the event the member elected to the at-large senate seat also becomes designated as the President of the Senate, that member's total allotment shall be no more than 3% of the total budget of the Legislative Branch.

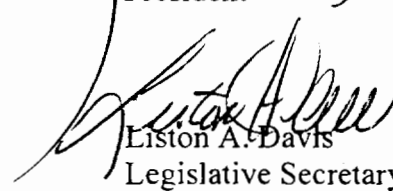
SECTION 4. The provisions of the preceding SECTION 3 shall become effective January 9, 2007, and thereafter."

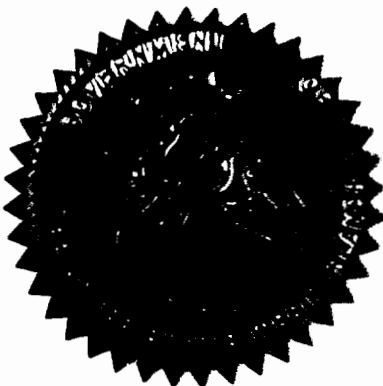
Thus passed by the Legislature of the Virgin Islands on September 23, 2005.

Witness our Hands and the Seal of the Legislature of the Virgin Islands this 26th Day of September, A.D., 2005.



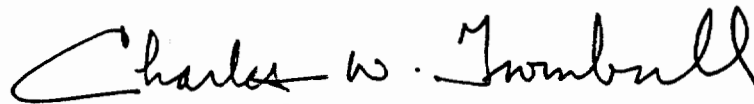

Lorraine L. Berry
President


Liston A. Davis
Legislative Secretary



The above bill is hereby approved.

Witness my hand and the Seal of the Government of the United States Virgin Islands at Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas, this 17th day of October, A.D., 2005.


Charles W. Turnbull
Governor