

BILL NO. 32-0103

Thirty-Second Legislature of the Virgin Islands

May 19, 2017

PROPOSED BY: Senator Sammuel Sane

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the Virgin Islands:

SECTION. I. Title 14 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 45, section 923 is amended at the end of subsection (a) after “parole” by inserting “but a person who commits murder in the first degree while under eighteen years of age shall be imprisoned for not less than fifteen (15) years, but not for life without parole”.

BILL SUMMARY

This bill seeks to amend 14 V.I.C. §923 by prohibiting a court from sentencing a minor convicted of first degree murder to a sentence of natural life without parole and setting a new minimum of 15 years for juveniles up to a maximum of life imprisonment.