

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY,
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BILL NO. 32-0241

Thirty-Second Legislature of the Virgin Islands

July 17, 2018

An Act amending title 23 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 10, sections 1006 and 1007, relating to the Virgin Islands Emergency Management Plan and the Virgin Islands Territorial Management and Homeland Security Council

PROPOSED BY: Senator Dwayne M. DeGraff

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the Virgin Islands:

SECTION 1. Title 23 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 10 is amended as follows:

(a) Section 1006, subsection (c) is amended in paragraph (12) after “emergency” by inserting “, including the protocol for the off-island evacuation of medical patients and others who need to be evacuated off-island. The protocol must include a case-management plan for the off-island and a long-term plan for these persons upon their return to the islands.”

(b) Section 1007, subsection (a), paragraph (2) is amended after “Islands” by inserting “the Commissioner of Health and the Commissioner of Human Services.”

SECTION 2. The Director of the Virgin Islands Territorial Emergency Management

1 Agency must submit the Virgin Islands Territorial Emergency Management Plan as amended in
2 accordance with section 1 of this act to the members of the Legislature of the Virgin Islands not
3 more than 90 days after the effective date of this act.

4 **BILL SUMMARY**

5 This bill amends title 23 Virgin Islands Code, section 1006 to provide that the Virgin
6 Islands Territorial Emergency Management Plan must include a protocol for medical patients and
7 others who need to be evacuated off-island and section 1007 to provide that the Governor must
8 include the Commissioners of Health and Human Services as members of the Virgin Islands
9 Territorial Management and Homeland Security Council.

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