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BILL NO. 30-0427

Thirtieth Legislature of the Virgin Islands

June 18, 2014

An Act amending Act Nos. 7499, 7535, 7557, 7558 and for other purposes

PROPOSED BY: Senators Donald G. Cole, Myron D. Jackson, Janette Millin Young, Shawn-Michael Malone, Sammuell Sanes, Clarence Payne, III and Clifford F. Graham

1 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the Virgin Islands:*

2 **SECTION 1.** Act No. 7535 is amended in section 2 in the following instances:

3 (a) Line item “M1002 DOF-ERP System Software” is amended by striking
4 “\$700,000” and inserting “\$1,300,000”;

5 (b) Line Item “M1116 DOP-Buck Consultants” is amended by striking
6 “\$288,000” and inserting “\$320,000”;

7 (c) Line item “New DPNR-Tutu Well Litigation Site” is amended by striking
8 “405,000” and inserting “\$450,000”;

9 (d) Line item “New GERS-Outstanding Contributions to Government
10 Employees who retired after December 31, 2012” is amended by striking “\$1,500,000”
11 and inserting “\$2,500,000”.

1 (e) Three line items are added that read as follow:

2	NEW DOJ Anti Gun Violence Program	\$125,000
3	NEW P&P ERP Vendor Self-Service Module Acquisition and Implementation	
4	cost	\$65,000
5	NEW DPW Estate Ross Fire Station	\$741,826

6 **SECTION 2.** Act No. 7557 is amended in Section I by striking “\$19,000,000”
7 and inserting “\$18,800,000”.

8 **SECTION 3.** Act No. 7558 is amended in Section 1 (a) by striking
9 “\$28,023,865” and inserting “\$27,723,865”.

10 **SECTION 4.** The following sums for the purposes set forth in paragraphs (1)
11 through (3) are appropriated from the General Fund for the fiscal year ending September
12 30, 2014:

13 (1) Juan Luis Hospital-Upgrade Electronic Medical Records \$1,000,000-
14 Payroll July-September 2014 \$11,000,000- Total \$12,000,000

15 (2) Roy Lester Schneider Hospital-Accounts Payable \$7,000,000, Capital
16 Improvements \$3,500,000-Total \$10,500,000;

17 (3) Department of Human Services for assistance to Sea View Nursing Home
18 for outstanding debt \$1,500,000

19 (4) WAPA- Roy L Hosp. \$5,250,000, Juan L. Hosp. \$5,250,000, BOC
20 \$1,500,000-Total \$12,000,000.

21 **SECTION 5.** Act No. 7499 is amended at the end of Section 7 (c) by adding
22 paragraphs (1) through (3):

1 (1) “The Government of the Virgin Islands is authorized to re-issue a working
2 capital loan in the amount \$50,000,000 prior to the end of FY 2014. The notes must
3 mature no later than 270 days after issuance with the following conditions:

4 (2) A Task force consisting of nine persons shall investigate and report to the
5 Legislature by December 12, 2014 the following:

6 (A) the consolidation cost reduction and increased efficiency of a
7 centralized GVI information technology system, operation protocol and vehicle
8 fleet

9 (B) Changes to tax collection, administrative practices and strategies at
10 the Bureau of Internal Revenue, giving particular attention to increased tax
11 compliance, discovery auditing and supply chain;

12 (C) Cost reduction and efficiencies in the VI Government specific
13 procurement, asset use and supply chain; and

14 (D) Specific energy conservation and energy cost reduction initiatives
15 that reduce energy consumption by at least 20% at the Departments of Health,
16 Public Safety, Finance, Education the Juan Luis Hospital, the Schneider Hospital
17 the Waste Management Authority and for public facility and street lighting;

18 (3) The task force is comprised of three appointees by the Governor, three
19 appointees by the President of the Legislature and three appointees by the Presiding
20 Judge of the Superior Court. The Task Force shall provide a three year projection of GVI
21 revenues, three year projection of operating expenses by agency based on 2014 projected
22 spending ranked by the head of each agency identifying

23 (A) the essential service in each operating unit,

1 (B) the net operating cost and a three year projection of operating expenses by
2 agency based on a 5% reduction from 2014 projected spending.”

3 **SECTION 6.** Act No. 7560 (Bill No. 30-0250), section 7, subsection (a),
4 paragraph (1) is stricken.

5 **BILL SUMMARY**

6 This Bill makes appropriations for the operation of the Government of the Virgin
7 Islands during the Fiscal Year October 1, 2014 to September 30, 2015.

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