BILL NO. <u>30-0039</u>

Thirtieth Legislature of the Virgin Islands

April 5, 2013

An Act to amend Title 14 to make it illegal for persons to propel bodily fluids or waste at a person and to introduce bodily waste or fluids in the food or drink of another

PROPOSED BY: Senator Sammuel Sanes

Co-Sponsor: Judi Buckley and Kenneth L. Gittens

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

SECTION 1. Title 14, Virgin Islands Code, chapter 13, is amended by adding a new § 302

to read as follows:

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"§ 302. Propelling bodily fluid or waste at a person

(a) Any person who is housed in any correctional facility in the Virgin Islands or who is being detained, arrested, transported or supervised by a correctional officer, police officer or marshal, whether such person is a sentenced prisoner, a pretrial detainee or an arrestee, who knowingly propels any bodily fluids or bodily waste at a correctional officer, staff member, private contractor or employee of any correctional facility or court of the Virgin Islands, police officer or authorized visitor to a correctional facility or court, or

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(b) Any person who knowingly introduces any bodily fluids or bodily waste into the food or
drink of a correctional officer, staff member, private contractor or employee of any correctional
facility or court of the Virgin Islands, police officer or authorized visitor, to a correctional facility or
court shall be guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment for not more than five (5) years, and
subject to a fine of up to \$5,000.00. Such sentence shall be served consecutively to any sentence
currently being served.
(c) Any person who knowingly propels any bodily fluids or bodily waste at any other person
when the person propelling the waste knows she or he has a communicable disease, or who
knowingly introduces any bodily fluids or bodily waste into the food or drink of another person,
when the person introducing the bodily fluids or bodily waste knows she or he has a communicable
disease shall be guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment for not more than five (5) years, and
subject to a fine of up to \$5,000.00.
(d) Any person who knowingly propels any bodily fluids or bodily waste at any other
person, or any person who knowingly introduces any bodily fluids or bodily waste into the food or
drink of another person, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more
than six (6) months and subject to a fine of up to \$1,000.00."
BILL SUMMARY
This bill seeks to amend Title 14 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 13, section 111 by adding a
new § 302 to make the propelling of bodily fluids or bodily waste at another person and the
introduction of any bodily fluids or bodily waste into the food or drink of another person a crime.
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