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Rules Committee To Consider 4 Bills

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ST. THOMAS – Four bills will be considered in the Committee on Rules and the Judiciary at Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall today, according to the chairman of the committee.

Sen. Kenneth Gittens said the committee will also hear testimony from nominees to four cabinet-level positions in hearings that begin at 12 p.m.

The bills are:

No. 31-0074 – An act to allow convicted criminals to have their sentences reduced after successfully completing academic or vocational training while in prison.

No. 31-0094 – An act to allow criminal records to be officially erased and enact “The Second Chance for Jobs and Education after a Misdemeanor Conviction Act.”

No. 31-0083 – An act to amend local law relating to imprisoning minors convicted of first-degree murder.

No. 31-0030 – An act to amend local law to allow immunity from prosecution to emergency care workers, also known as the “Good Samaritan Law.”

Gittens said on Monday in St. Croix, his committee will consider Gov. Kenneth Mapp’s nominations of Viviane Ebbesen-Fludd as Commissioner of the Department of Human Services; Mona Barnes as the Director of the Virgin Islands Territorial Emergency Management Agency (VITEMA) and Catherine Hendry as the Commissioner of the Department of Labor.