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Dept. of Labor Announces Decrease of Disability Income Benefits

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The V.I. Dept. of Labor has announced that the maximum benefit amount for Disability Income Benefits has decreased from \$658.00 per week or \$131.80 per day to \$645.00 per week or \$129.00 per day. This will affect all injuries that occurred on or about January 1, 2023, the department said.

According to the release, in accordance with Title 24 Chapter 11, Section 254 c., income benefits for temporary total disability shall be 66 2/3 percent of the employee's weekly wage rate at the time of injury, not to exceed 66 2/3 percent of the Average Weekly Wage of the Virgin Islands, nor be less than \$60.00 a week, except that if the wages earned were less than \$60.00 a week. The benefits shall be awarded in a sum equal to

said wages, DOL said.

For more information, please contact the Workers' Compensation Unit at (340) 773.1994 on St. Croix or (340) 776.3700 on St. Thomas.

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