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BILL NO. 36-0210

Thirty-Sixth Legislature of the Virgin Islands

November 17, 2025

An act appropriating the sum of \$4,000,000 from the Virgin Islands Insurance Guaranty Fund to the Virgin Islands Water and Power Authority for the repair, replacement, and operation of streetlights throughout the Territory

PROPOSED BY: Senator Kurt A. Violet
Sponsors: Novelle E. Francis, Jr. and Avery L. Lewis
Co-sponsor: Clifford A. Joseph, Sr.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the Virgin Islands:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding the use restrictions in title 22 Virgin Islands Code, section 237(a)(3)(A), and title 33 Virgin Islands Code, section 3061(b), the sum of \$4,000,000 is appropriated in the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, from the Virgin Islands Insurance Guaranty Fund to the Virgin Islands Water and Power Authority for the repair, replacement, and operation of streetlights as follows:

- (1) \$1,800,000 for St. Croix;
- (2) \$1,200,000 for St. Thomas/St. John; and
- (3) \$1,000,000 for payment of outstanding bills.

SECTION 2. No later than 45 days after enactment, the Virgin Islands Water and Power Authority shall submit a streetlighting plan to the Legislature of the Virgin Islands. Funds appropriated under section 1 shall be made available only after submission of the plan.

1 **SECTION 3.** The funds appropriated in section 1 remain available until expended.

2 **BILL SUMMARY**

3 This bill appropriates \$4,000,000 from the Virgin Islands Insurance Guaranty Fund to
4 the Virgin Islands Water and Power Authority (WAPA) for the repair, replacement, and
5 operation of streetlights. The appropriation is allocated as follows: \$1,800,000 for St. Croix,
6 \$1,200,000 for St. Thomas/St. John, and \$1,000,000 for outstanding bills and requires WAPA
7 to submit a streetlighting plan to the Legislature within 45 days of enactment.

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