

BILL NO. 36-0013

Thirty-Sixth Legislature of the Virgin Islands

February 27, 2025

An Act amending title 28 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 1, section 11 by increasing the time that a person must adversely possess a property before acquiring title and excluding certain property from being acquired by another person through a claim of adverse possession

PROPOSED BY: Senator Franklin D. Johnson

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the Virgin Islands:

SECTION 1. Title 28 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 1, section 11 is amended by striking “15” and inserting “25” and striking “as against the Government” and inserting “against Government owned property and property for which taxes are not more than two years in arrears and are being paid by the owner of record”.

BILL SUMMARY

This bill amends title 28 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 1, section 11 by increasing the time, from 15 years to 25 years, that a person must adversely possess a property before acquiring title and by excluding property for which taxes are not more than two years in arrears and are being paid by the owner of record, from being acquired by another person through a claim of adverse possession.

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