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BILL NO. 35-0226

Thirty-Fifth Legislature of the Virgin Islands

January 18, 2024

An Act amending title 16 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 13, subchapter I, section 345, subsection (c) by establishing a minimum default amount for child support

PROPOSED BY: Senators Carla J. Joseph, Alma Francis Heyliger and
Angel L. Bolques, Jr.
Co-sponsor: Marise C. James

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

2 **SECTION 1.** Title 16 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 13, subchapter I, section 345 is
3 amended by adding subsection (f) to read as follows:

4 (f) Any parent who fails to provide the financial information necessary to compute the
5 child support amount provided for in subsection (c), shall pay a minimum default monthly child
6 support of not less than \$1000 for the first child and \$150 for each additional child.

7 **BILL SUMMARY**

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9 subsection (c) by establishing a minimum default amount for child support.

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