COMMITTEE ON BUDGET, APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE

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BILL NO. 35-0169

Thirty-Fifth Legislature of the Virgin Islands

September 19, 2023

An Act providing an appropriation of \$500,000 from the Education Initiative Fund in the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024, to the Department of Education, Division of Curriculum and Instruction, for final editing and proofing of customized Virgin Islands History textbooks, printing hardcover editions of the customized Virgin Islands History textbooks, and for the completion of kindergarten through eighth grade Social Studies curriculum

PROPOSED BY: Senators Donna A. Frett-Gregory and Angel L. Bolques, Jr.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the Virgin Islands:

- 2 **SECTION 1**. (a) The sum of 500,000 is appropriated in the fiscal year ending September
- 3 30, 2024, from the Education Initiative Fund to the Virgin Islands Department of Education,
- 4 Division of Curriculum and Instruction for the following purposes:
- 5 (a) \$75,000 for final editing and proofing of the customized Virgin Islands History
- 6 textbooks for grades three through eighth.

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- 7 (b) \$375,000 for the printing of the customized hardcover Virgin Islands History
- 8 textbook editions for kindergarten through eighth grade.
- 9 (c) \$50,000 for the completion of kindergarten through eighth grades Social Studies
- 10 curriculum development initiative.

1 <u>BILL SUMMARY</u>

- 2 This bill provides for a \$500,000 appropriation from the Virgin Islands Education
- 3 Initiative Fund, codified at 33 Virgin Islands Code, section 3093, to the Virgin Islands
- 4 Department of Education, Division of Curriculum and Instruction, for the fiscal year ending
- 5 September 30, 2024.
- 6 BR23-0808/BUDGET/September 15, 2023