COMMITTEE ON BUDGET, APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE

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BILL NO. 35-0126

Thirty-Fifth Legislature of the Virgin Islands

August 22, 2023

An Act approving the lease agreement between the Government of the Virgin Islands Department of Property and Procurement and Petrus Properties, LLC for Parcel No. 47D-1 Kronprindsens Gade, Kronprindsens Quarter St. Thomas, Virgin Islands

PROPOSED BY:	Senators Novelle E. Francis, Jr., and Donna A. Frett-Gregory
	by Request of the Governor

1	WHEREAS, the Government of the Virgin Islands, acting through the Commissioner of
2	the Department of Property and Procurement, executed a lease agreement between the
3	Government and Petrus Properties, LLC on August 14, 2023 for the demise of Parcel No. 47D-
4	1 Kronprindsens Gade, Kronprindsens Quarter, consisting of 11,095 sq. ft. or 0.254 U.S. acres
5	as shown on O.L.G. No. D-9-7059-T002, for an initial term of 30 years with options to renew
6	for two additional terms of 10 years each at an initial annual rent of \$6,000 in equal monthly
7	installments of \$500.00;
8	WHEREAS, on August 14, 2023, the Governor of the Virgin Islands, approved the Lease

9 between the Government and Petrus Properties, LLC;

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2 leasable space in a proposed two-story commercial building as an annex to the commercial
3 plaza located on adjacent properties;

- WHEREAS, title 3, section 205(c) of the Virgin Islands Code provides that in addition
 to the Governor's approval of any lease, the Legislature of the Virgin Islands must approve all
 leases exceeding a term of one year; and
- 7 WHEREAS, the purpose of this act is to approve the lease between the Government of
 8 the Virgin Islands and Petrus Properties, LLC; Now, Therefore,
- 9 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the Virgin Islands:

10 SECTION 1. Pursuant to title 31, section 205(c) of the Virgin Islands Code, the Legislature of the Virgin Islands approves the Lease Agreement between the Government of 11 the Virgin Islands, acting through its Commissioner of Property and Procurement, and Petrus 12 13 Properties, LLC for parcel No. 47D-1 Kropnrindsens Gade, Kronprindsens Quarter, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, consisting of 11,095 U.S. sq. ft. or 0.254 U.S. acres of unimproved 14 land, as shown on O.L.G. No. D-9-7059-T002, for an initial term of 30 years with options to 15 16 renew for two additional terms of 10 years each at an initial annual rent of \$6,000 to promote and develop additional commercial leasable space in a proposed two-story commercial building 17 as an annex to the commercial plaza located on adjacent properties. 18

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BILL SUMMARY

This bill approves the lease between the Government and Petrus Properties, LLC for Parcel No. 47D-1 Kropnrindsens Gade, Kronprindsens Quarter St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, consisting of 11,095 U.S. sq. ft. or 0.254 U.S. acres of unimproved land, as shown on O.L.G. No. D-9-7059-T002, for an initial term of 30 years with options to renew for two additional 1 terms of 10 years each at an initial annual rent of \$6,000 to promote and develop additional

2 commercial leasable space in a proposed two-story commercial building as an annex to the

3 commercial plaza located on adjacent properties.

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