COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT SERVICES,
VETERANS AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS

BILL NO. 31-0163

Thirty-first Legislature of the Virgin Islands

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An Act amending title 23 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 3, section 125 relating to the penalty for damaging public streets, roads or other places

PROPOSED BY: Senator Nereida Rivera-O'Reilly

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the Virgin Islands:

SECTION 1. Title 23 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 3, subchapter III, section 125 is amended by designating the existing provisions as subsection (a) and adding subsection (b), which reads as follows:

"(b) A violator of any provision of subsection (a) is subject to a fine of not more than $1,000 and shall pay all costs associated with the repair of the damage the violator caused to the public street, road, or place."

BILL SUMMARY

This bill increases the fine for damage to public streets, roads, or places. Under 23 V.I.C. §120, the fine is only $20. Title 20 V.I.C. §501 covers damage to the road by heavy equipment and imposes a fine of $500. This bill similar to section 501 would also make the violator liable for repairing the damage.

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