

**BILL NO. 31-0003**

**Thirty-first Legislature of the Virgin Islands**

**February 4, 2015**

An Act amending title 20 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 49, section 741 to expand the definition of “abandoned motor vehicle” and for other purposes

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**PROPOSED BY:** Senator Justin Harrigan, Sr.  
Co Sponsor: Novelle Francis, Jr.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** Title 20 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 49 is amended as follows:

3 (a) In section 741 by adding the following at the end after “old”: “or lack a valid  
4 registration sticker”:

5 (b) In section 742 by designating the existing language as subsection (a) and inserting  
6 subsection (b) that reads as follows:

7 “(b) Any vehicle not registered and left on the public roadways or public property for  
8 more than forty eight hours may be ticketed, towed and stored by the Virgin Islands Police  
9 Department and upon notification to the owner, the owner shall be responsible for the towing and  
10 storage fees and shall not be allowed to register any other vehicle in their name until said fees are  
11 paid.”

**BILL SUMMARY**

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This Bill amends section 741 of title 20 Virgin Islands Code designating vehicles not currently registered and left on the public roadways or public property as abandoned and it also amends section 742 to make the owner of the abandoned vehicle liable for towing and storage fees.

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