

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY, PUBLIC SAFETY  
AND JUSTICE

**BILL NO. 31-0172**

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

**July 10, 2015**

An Act amending title 17 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 9 establishing a day-time curfew and for other purposes

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**PROPOSED BY:** Senator Kurt A. Violet

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

**SECTION 1.** Title 17 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 9, is amended as follows:

(a) In section 86, subsection (d), by striking “assists, abets or knowingly”;

(b) In section 89 by:

(1) Inserting “, whether public or private, during that school’s hours, including the hours of any work-study assignment” after the first instance of “school”;

(2) striking “to the principal of the school which he attends”;

(3) designating the first unnumbered paragraph in section 89 as subsection (a) and designating the second unnumbered paragraph as subsection (e); and by

(4) adding subsections (b), (c) and (d) to read as follows:

“(b) Subsection (a) is not applicable to:

- (1) children who are home-schooled;
- (2) children accompanied by their parent, guardian, or other adult person authorized to have the care and custody of the child;
- (3) children on supervised school trips; and
- (4) children who have graduated from high school before the age of 18.

(c) Subsection (a) does not apply on holidays established for in title 17 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 7, sections 62, 63, and 64 and on other holidays, vacation times, administrative leave days, teachers’ professional developmental days or any other day that schools are not in session, as may be designated by the Commissioner of Education.

(d) Absent from school’ as used in subsection (a) means a child who is found at any other place other than on the school’s premises during that school’s respective school hours.”

### **BILL SUMMARY**

This bill amends 17 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 9, sections 86 and 89 to establish a day-time curfew for Virgin Islands students.

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