

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY, JUSTICE
AND PUBLIC SAFETY

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Thirty-first Legislature of the Virgin Islands

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An Act amending title 5 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 401 relating to the duties of the Bureau of Corrections, “The Correctional Workers Safety Act of 2015”

PROPOSED BY: Senator Kenneth L. Gittens

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

2 **SECTION 1.** Title 5 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 401, section 4504 is amended by adding
3 subsections (g), (h) and (i) that read as follows:

4 “(g) The Bureau shall provide secured storage areas on the outside grounds within the
5 secured perimeter area of all institutions under its control for use by employees who are licensed
6 to carry firearms.

7 (h) The Director of Corrections and the Commissioner of the Department of Human
8 Services shall ensure that each prison and detention facility under their control provides a secure
9 firearm storage at the facility who are licensed to carry a firearm for use by all persons employed
10 by the Bureau at Youth Rehabilitation Center, or allow employees authorized to carry a firearm to
11 store their firearm in a Bureau or Department-approved vehicle lockbox.

