# COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS, VETERANS, ENERGY, AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

# BILL NO. 32-0057

## Thirty-Second Legislature of the Virgin Islands

May 1, 2017
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An Act amending title 3 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 27, sections 707 and 756, relating to options at retirement

**PROPOSED BY:** Senator Jean A. Forde

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

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- 2 **SECTION 1.** Title 3 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 27, section 707, subsection (c) and chapter
- 3 28A section 756, subsection (c) are each amended by striking "before the making of the first
- 4 payment" and by adding the following sentence at the end of the respective subsections: "If a retired
- 5 member designated a spouse as a beneficiary and the spouse dies, after the System has been notified
- of the spouse's death, the System shall commence paying the retired member a retirement annuity
- 7 as if the member had not designated a spouse as a beneficiary."

### 8 BILL SUMMARY

- 9 This bill provides that when a retired member spouse dies, the retired member shall thereafter
- 10 receive an annuity, upon notification to the System in an amount equal to what he would have
- received if he had not designated his spouse as his beneficiary.

#### 12 **BR17-0024/February 24, 2017/SLR**