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| **BILL NO.** |  |
| **Thirty-Third Legislature of the Virgin Islands** | | | |

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An Act amending title 5, chapter 314, section 3732 of the Virgin Islands Code to allow for the expungement of criminal records for persons previously convicted of crimes involving marijuana

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| **PROPOSED BY:** | Senator Janelle K. Sarauw |

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

**SECTION 1.**  Title 5, chapter 314, section 3732 of the Virgin Islands Code is amended by striking “or” at the end of paragraph (3), striking the period at the end of paragraph (4) and inserting “; or” and adding paragraph (5) to read as follows:

“(5) A person has been convicted of a violation of 19 V.I.C. § 604 (a), for knowingly or intentionally manufacturing, distributing, dispensing or possessing a controlled substance under section 595, schedule I, subsection (c), paragraph (10), Cannabis sativa or Marijuana, or has been convicted of 19 V.I.C. §607 for simple possession of cannabis sativa or Marijuana, and the conviction did not involve violence .”

**BILL SUMMARY**

This Bill amends title 5, chapter 314, section 3732 of the Virgin Islands Code to allow for the expungement of criminal records for the possession of Marijuana.

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