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Message from the Management Team

Committees are at the heart of the Senate's legislative and policy review work and Canadians contribute to their work every year by appearing as witnesses or by providing written testimony. Canadians can also follow the work of committees by watching webcasts or CPAC broadcasts, or by reading transcripts, briefs and reports on a committee's website. Senators spend an enormous amount of time engaged in committee work. To facilitate the work of senators and to promote their work, the Committees Directorate is very proud to provide them with procedural and administrative support.

Senate committee activities continued to be impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic during the 2021-22 fiscal year. The effects of the pandemic meant that committees continued to meet in a hybrid fashion, which reduced the Senate's overall capacity to support a full committee schedule. Additionally, the federal election in September 2021 meant that, with the exception of a few committees tasked with studying urgent government legislation at the start of the new Parliament in December, most committees did not meet their full range of activities until the new year.

Because of the implementation of hybrid meeting procedures, Senate committees were able to continue to operate in the new year, despite many external challenges. Most witnesses continued to participate remotely, and a modified meeting schedule was adopted, which allowed most committees to resume regular meetings, albeit with a reduced frequency. Committees also did not travel during this period. Despite various restrictions and capacity constraints, the hybrid meeting platform allowed senators to continue their essential parliamentary work while the Senate followed a number of protocols to protect the health and safety of all senators and staff.

We are extremely proud of our team at the Committees Directorate. Despite many technological, procedural, logistical, and external challenges, the team continued to adapt to a new way of doing business by remaining flexible so that we could constantly adjust our processes and tools to the changing circumstances, and continued to provide exemplary service to senators and to promote the important work of Senate committees to all Canadians.

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Mission Statement

The Senate is a core component of the Canadian federal structure of government. Entrenched in the Canadian Constitution, it is designed to act as a complementary legislative body of sober second thought. A vital part of the legislative process takes place in Senate committees, where senators examine legislation and also undertake special studies on a wide range of topics linked to Canadian public policy.

The Committees Directorate serves Senate committees in the areas of parliamentary procedure and practice, and administration, and provides advice and resources to help committees to achieve their objectives.

Our mission is to provide exemplary, innovative and efficient support to facilitate the work of Senate committees. We are proud of our role at the Senate; we contribute to the promotion of its public image, and to that of Parliament in general. In line with this mission, we strive to excel through these three pillars:

Integrity

- We perform our duties ethically and honestly, in compliance with relevant laws, rules and procedures, and in the best tradition of the Senate, in order to maintain public trust.
- We uphold the principles of discretion and confidentiality.

Respect

- We demonstrate dignity, fairness and courtesy when dealing with parliamentarians, staff, partners and the public.
- We work collaboratively and with a shared purpose in order to achieve positive outcomes.

Service

- We provide non-partisan superior service to all senators.
- We serve with professionalism, competence and objectivity.

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Part 1: Overview of Activities and Expenditures

Structure of Committees

The Committees Directorate provides administrative, procedural and informational support to Senate committees, which include:

- Eighteen standing committees (and six subcommittees); and
- Two standing joint committees and two special joint committees (composed of members from both the Senate and the House of Commons).

The size of committees, their general areas of study and the number of members required for quorum are set under rules 12-3, 12-6 and 12-7 of the [Rules of the Senate](#).

Overview of Committee Activities

Committees account for much of the important work of the Senate. While all committees must respect the *Rules of the Senate* and the *Senate Administrative Rules* (SARs), there are variations between committees with respect to how they undertake, organize and carry out their work. Some committees focus almost exclusively on legislation, while others give special studies most of their attention.

Over the course of the 2021-22 fiscal year, Senate activities continued to be impacted by restrictions related to the COVID-19 pandemic. The start of the fiscal year saw Senate committees maintain a fixed virtual meeting schedule, which had been adopted by the Senate in March 2021. This schedule had been created to optimize the use of resources that had been limited by the pandemic. Committee meetings on government business were prioritized with only a limited number of meetings held on non-government business. Priority, for instance, was given to the Standing Senate Committee on National Finance whose order of references included the subject matter of Bill C-30, Budget Implementation Act 2021, No. 1. In addition, the start of the fiscal year saw the creation of the Special Joint Committee on Medical Assistance in Dying.

The dissolution of the 43rd Parliament on August 15, 2021, and the federal election the following month also impacted Senate committees. Upon dissolution, all committees but three were dissolved. Only committees with intersessional authority are permitted to keep functioning when Parliament is dissolved. These committees

are as follows: the Standing Committee on Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration and its subcommittees (as provided for in section 19.1(2) of the *Parliament of Canada Act*), the Standing Committee on Audit and Oversight (as provided for in the *Senate Audit and Oversight Charter*), and the Standing Committee on Ethics and Conflict of Interest for Senators (in accordance with sections 38-40 of the *Ethics and Conflict of Interest Code for Senators*).

The first session of the 44th Parliament began on November 22, 2021. Shortly afterwards, on November 25, 2021, the Senate adopted a motion authorizing committees to hold hybrid meetings. On December 2, 2021, the Senate adopted the Committee of Selection's first report which established the membership of most committees. A couple of days later, on December 7, the Senate adopted the third report (interim) of the Committee of Selection, thereby permitting committees to hold hybrid meetings according to a fixed schedule. At the same time, those committees meeting on government business were prioritized over others. The schedule was again designed to maximize the efficient use of resources to meet the demands of the hybrid environment and the continuing challenges posed by COVID-19.

Joint committees received the Senate's authorization to meet in a hybrid format in February 2022. The end of the fiscal year also saw the creation or re-establishment of two special joint committees. On March 3, 2022, the Senate adopted a motion for the creation of a Special Joint Committee on the Declaration of Emergency. A few weeks later, on March 31, the Senate adopted a motion for the re-creation of the Special Joint Committee on Medical Assistance in Dying.

The motion authorizing committees to hold hybrid meetings, which had been due to expire at the end of March 2022, was extended by a month on March 31, 2022. The month-long extension reflected the ever-changing health situation and the fact that use of the hybrid format continued to be subject to negotiations.

Operating Expenses

Indicators	2021-22
Full-time equivalents (FTEs)	34 employees
Directorate	\$4,985
Committees	-
Witnesses	\$2,648
Working meals	-
Other	-

Committee Travel

Committees often travel to gather testimony and information related to their studies. They hold public hearings throughout Canada and undertake fact-finding missions both within Canada and abroad. Committee travel provides senators with the opportunity to better familiarize themselves with the issues they are studying and to obtain evidence and information that cannot be obtained in Ottawa. Fact-finding missions conducted within Canada and abroad do not include public hearings. As such, they are not considered official proceedings and no transcripts are published. However, the information gathered is still valid to the committee's study and can be included in their reports. Please note that there were no committee trips during the 2021-22 fiscal year due to pandemic-related travel restrictions.

Committee Operations

The following table compares the various activities of all Senate committees over five fiscal years.

Indicators	2021-22	2020-21	2019-20	2018-19	2017-18	Five-year average
Meetings	217	165	287	570	608	369.4
Reports	60	43	72	99	120	78.8
Hours in committee	364.7	303	565	966.2	948.2	629.42
Sitting weeks	23	13	14	23	26	19.8
Hours in committee per week	15.9	23.3	40.3	42	36.4	31.58
Witnesses	914	478	1,367	2,215	1,980	1390.8
Bills	45	9	27	56	50	36.2
Subject matter studies	9	2	6	24	8	10
Special studies	37	12	22	41	44	31.2
Trips	-	-	4	12	20	7.2
Fact-finding hours	-	-	-	242	251.1	292.22

The following table compares various travel statistics of Senate committees over five fiscal years.

Indicators	2021-22	2020-21	2019-20	2018-19	2017-18	Five-year average
Amount budgeted	-	-	\$809,172	\$1,334,124	\$1,906,803	
Amount spent	-	-	\$588,161	\$669,951	\$836,434	
Senators accounted for in budget	-	-	55	86	187	
Senators who travelled	-	-	54	58	108	

Note: Totals may not add up due to rounding.

The following table illustrates orders of reference considered by Senate committees during the 2021-22 fiscal year.

Orders of reference	Meetings	Total meetings (percent)	Hours	Total hours (percent)
Bills and subject matter studies	103	73.6%	182.1	74.4%
Special studies	37	26.4%	62.6	25.6%
Total	140	100%	244.7	100%

Note: Totals may not add up due to rounding.

Contributions to Public Policy Development: Special Study Reports

The following list highlights the major 2021-22 special study reports, by committee.

Human Rights (RIDR)

Human Rights of Federally-Sentenced Persons

([Fourth Report](#) [Interim] tabled in the Senate on June 16, 2021)

On 15 December 2016, the Senate of Canada adopted an order of reference requesting the Standing Senate Committee on Human Rights (the committee) to study the human rights of federally-sentenced persons. Over the course of two years, the committee visited federal penitentiaries in every region. It held 30 public meetings and gathered testimony from 155 witnesses including federally sentenced persons. This report outlines the committee's findings, conclusions, and recommendations to improve human rights in Canada's federal correctional system.

Forced and Coerced Sterilization of Persons in Canada

([Third Report](#) [Interim] tabled in the Senate on June 3, 2021)

On February 20, 2019, the Standing Senate Committee on Human Rights (the committee) commenced a study on the extent and scope of forced and coerced sterilization of persons in Canada under its general order of reference. The committee held three meetings on this topic hearing from 14 witnesses, including leaders of three Indigenous organizations, a lawyer who is leading a Saskatchewan class action lawsuit, an academic, independent researchers, and representatives of civil society groups and government departments. The committee also received submissions from civil society organizations, professional associations and a Peruvian women's rights organization. The report concludes with two recommendations requesting that the Government of Canada respond without delay to this report and that a parliamentary committee conduct further study on this issue.

Social Affairs, Science and Technology (SOCI)

The implementation and success of a federal framework on post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) by the Government of Canada

([Sixth Report](#) [Interim] tabled in the Senate on June 15, 2021)

The committee held a meeting on April 21, 2021, to receive an update from the Minister of Health, the Honourable Patty Hajdu, on the implementation of the Federal Framework on Post-traumatic Stress Disorder. The committee heard from the Minister and officials from the Public Health Agency of Canada and the Canadian Institutes of Health Research. The interim report contains a summary of the evidence heard, covering the topics of research and data, the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, mental health investments proposed in Budget 2021, and the scope and breadth of the Framework.

The committee acknowledged in its report that there had been progress made in the development of the Framework, that this work was in its early days and, as such, it was too soon to conduct a thorough evaluation. The committee therefore suggested that once the Framework was more fully developed and implemented, it receives an update on the progress.

Part 2: Committee Profiles



The impact of the COVID-19 pandemic led to a significant reduction in regular committee activity. The following section provides information and general statistics about each committee that met during the 2021-22 fiscal year.

Please note that the table in the section “Reports to the Senate” includes the number of witnesses who appeared on each order of reference that was reported to the Senate during the fiscal year, even if their appearance was in previous fiscal years. The table in the section “Committee Activities” includes the total number of witnesses heard during the fiscal year, including those on orders of reference which were not reported to the Senate during the fiscal year.

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Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade (AEFA)

General Information

The Standing Senate Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade has the mandate to examine legislation and matters relating to foreign and Commonwealth relations, including treaties and international agreements, external trade, foreign aid, and territorial and offshore matters. During the fiscal year, the committee examined the subject matter of certain parts of a budget implementation act (Bill C-30).

Reports to the Senate

1st Session, 44th Parliament

Report	Order of Reference	Date	Witnesses	Contents
First	Rule 12-26	2021-12-15	-	Expenses incurred during the previous session

2nd Session, 43rd Parliament

Report	Order of Reference	Date	Witnesses	Contents
Third	The subject matter of those elements contained in Divisions 6 and 20 of Part 4 of Bill C-30, An Act to implement certain provisions of the budget tabled in Parliament on April 19, 2021 and other measures	2021-05-27	7	The subject matter of those elements contained in Divisions 6 and 20 of Part 4 of Bill C-30

Committee Activities: Comparison Over Five Fiscal Years, 2017-22

Fiscal Year	Meetings	Meeting Hours	Fact-finding Hours	Witnesses	Reports
2021-22	9	11.2	-	39	2
2020-21	3	3.4	-	8	2
2019-20	17	21.5	-	57	6
2018-19	38	49.4	-	119	6
2017-18	43	51.6	-	130	7

Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2021-22

Budget expenditures	-
Witness expenses	\$237
TOTAL	\$237

Committee Membership

1st Session, 44th Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Boehm (Independent Senators Group)

Deputy chair:

The Honourable Senator Harder, P.C. (Progressive Senate Group)

Members of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Boehm, Boniface, Coyle, Deacon (*Ontario*), Gerba, Greene, Harder, P.C., MacDonald, Oh, Ravalia, Richards and Woo

Ex officio members:

The Honourable Senators Gold, P.C. (or Gagné) and Plett (or Martin)

Senators who participated as members during the fiscal year:

The Honourable Senators Bovey, Cordy, Kutcher and Clement

Committee support:

Gaëtane Lemay, Clerk of the Committee

Maritza Jean-Pierre, Committee Assistant

Library of Parliament:

Nadia Faucher, Analyst

Brian Hermon, Analyst

2nd Session, 43rd Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Boehm (Independent Senators Group)

Deputy chairs:

The Honourable Senator Harder, P.C. (Progressive Senate Group)

The Honourable Senator Ngo (Conservative Party of Canada)

Members of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Ataullahjan, Black (*Alberta*), Boehm, Coyle, Deacon (*Ontario*), Dean, Greene, Harder, P.C., Housakos, Ngo, Ravalia and Saint-Germain

Ex officio members:

The Honourable Senators Gold, P.C. (or Gagné) and Plett (or Martin)

Senators who participated as members during the fiscal year:

The Honourable Senators Boniface, Omidvar and Woo

Committee support:

Gaëtane Lemay, Clerk of the Committee

Laurie-Anne Spooner, Committee Assistant

Library of Parliament:

Brian Hermon, Analyst

Standing Committee on Agriculture and Forestry (AGFO)

General Information

The Standing Senate Committee on Agriculture and Forestry has the mandate to examine legislation and to study issues related to agriculture and forestry. The agriculture and agri-food portfolio covers all departments and agencies that are under the responsibility of the Minister of Agriculture and Agri-food. While most of the forest on Crown land is managed by the provinces, the federal government is responsible for many forest-related matters. Restrictions and closures related to the COVID-19 pandemic considerably impacted the activities of Senate committees. In particular, the organization and planning of regular committee meetings were modified to allow senators, witnesses and staff to participate virtually in order to protect their health and well-being. Consequently, most committees reduced their number of meetings significantly.

Reports to the Senate

2nd Session, 43rd Parliament

Report	Order of Reference	Date	Witnesses	Contents
Second	Bill C-208, An Act to amend the Income Tax Act (transfer of small business or family farm or fishing corporation)	2021-06-10	7	Bill C-208, without amendment

Committee Activities: Comparison Over Five Fiscal Years, 2017-22

Fiscal Year	Meetings	Meeting Hours	Fact-finding Hours	Witnesses	Reports
2021-22	7	11.3	-	25	1
2020-21	1	0.5	-	-	1
2019-20	14	22.1	-	46	4
2018-19	34	60.4	56.9	156	5
2017-18	45	81.5	26.1	194	5

Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2021-22

Budget expenditures	-
Witness expenses	\$157
TOTAL	\$157

Committee Membership

1st Session, 44th Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Black (Canadian Senators Group)

Deputy chair:

The Honourable Senator Simons (Independent Senators Group)

Members of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Black, Cordy, Cotter, Deacon (*Nova Scotia*), Jaffer, Klyne, Marwah, Oh, Petitclerc, Plett and Simons

Ex officio members:

The Honourable Senators Gold, P.C. (or Gagné) and Plett (or Martin)

Senators who participated as members during the fiscal year:

The Honourable Senators Bovey, Mercer (retired), Poirier, Ringuette, Griffin (retired), Quinn and Wetston (retired).

Committee support:

Ferda Simpson, Clerk of the Committee
Tracy Amendola, Committee Assistant

Library of Parliament:

Offah Obale, Analyst

2nd Session, 43rd Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Griffin (Canadian Senators Group) (retired)

Deputy chairs:

The Honourable Senator Deacon (*Nova Scotia*) (Independent Senators Group)
The Honourable Senator Oh (Conservative Party of Canada)

Members of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Black, Deacon (*Nova Scotia*), Griffin (retired), Hartling, Martin, Mégie, Mercer (retired), Miville-Dechéne, Oh, Petitclerc and Plett

Ex officio members:

The Honourable Senators Gold, P.C. (or Gagné) and Plett (or Martin)

Senators who participated as members during the fiscal year:

The Honourable Senators Forest, Loffreda, MacDonald, Smith and Stewart Olsen (retired)

Committee support:

Evelyne Côté, Clerk of the Committee
Annie Trudel, Committee Assistant

Library of Parliament:

Joanne Markle LaMontagne, Analyst

Standing Committee on Audit and Oversight (AOVS)

General Information

The Standing Committee on Audit and Oversight was created on October 1, 2020, based on the principles of integrity, independence, transparency, and accountability. These principles are essential to fulfilling the committee's mandate to provide oversight and report on the Senate's spending. The committee is authorized, on its own initiative, to exercise the review, monitoring and inquiry function of the Senate's financial operations. More specifically, it is responsible for retaining the services of and overseeing the external and internal auditors; supervising the Senate's internal and external audits and reporting to the Senate; reviewing the Senate's Quarterly Financial Reports and the audited Financial Statements; and tabling before the Senate all relevant financial documents, including an annual report with observations and recommendations. It is also tasked with reviewing the Senate Administration's action plans to ensure that they adequately address the recommendations and findings that may arise from internal and external audits and that they are effectively implemented.

During the fiscal year, in June 2021, the committee presented its [fourth report](#) which proposed two recommendations to establish an Intersessional Authority on Audit and Oversight, following the end of the 2nd session of the 43rd Parliament. The report proposed an interim measure to allow the Senate's audit and oversight work to continue in order for the committee to be able to meet periodically to monitor the financial operations of the Senate at regular intervals throughout the fiscal year, without being interrupted by a dissolution or prorogation. On June 8, 2021, for the first time in its history, the Senate named two external members, to join the membership of AOVS, when it adopted the [fifth report](#) of the committee.

Reports to the Senate

1st Session, 44th Parliament

Report	Order of Reference	Date	Witnesses	Contents
First	Supervise and report on the Senate's internal and external audits and related matters	2021-12-09	-	Nomination of External Members
Second	Rule 12-26(2)	2021-12-09	-	Expenses incurred during

				the previous session
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2nd Session, 43rd Parliament

Report	Order of Reference	Date	Witnesses	Contents
Third	Consider and report on issues relating to the nomination of its external members to the Senate	2021-04-20	-	Special Study Budget 2021-2022 (External Members)
Fourth	Supervise and report on the Senate's internal and external audits and related matters and report on issues relating to the nomination of its external members	2021-06-01	-	Intersessional Authority
Fifth	Consider and report on issues relating to the nomination of its external members to the Senate.	2021-06-08	-	Nomination of External Members

Committee Activities

Fiscal Year	Meetings	Meeting Hours	Fact-finding Hours	Witnesses	Reports
2021-22	8	13.75	-	6	5
2020-21	4	5	-	5	2

Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2021-22

Budget expenditures	\$60,000
External members expenditures	\$48,123
Witness expenses	-
TOTAL	\$108,123

Committee Membership

1st Session, 44th Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Klyne (Progressive Senate Group)

Deputy chairs:

The Honourable Senator Dupuis (Independent Senators Group)

The Honourable Senator Wells (Conservative Party of Canada)

Members of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Downe, Dupuis, Klyne and Wells

External members of the committee:

Hélène F. Fortin

Robert Plamondon

Committee support:

Maxime Fortin, Clerk of the Committee

Brigitte Martineau, Committee Assistant

Library of Parliament:

Lindsay McGlashan, Analyst

Raphaëlle Deraspe, Analyst

2nd Session, 43rd Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Wells (Conservative Party of Canada)

Deputy chair:

The Honourable Senator Dupuis (Independent Senators Group)

Members of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Downe, Dupuis, Klyne and Wells

External members of the committee:

Hélène F. Fortin

Robert Plamondon

Committee support:

Shaila Anwar, Clerk of the Committee

Brigitte Martineau, Committee Assistant

Library of Parliament:

Lindsay McGlashan, Analyst

Standing Committee on Aboriginal Peoples (APPA)

General Information

The Standing Senate Committee on Aboriginal Peoples has the mandate to study matters relating to the Indigenous peoples of Canada.

Over the fiscal year, the committee studied Bill C-15, An Act respecting the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, as well as Bill S-219, An Act respecting a National Ribbon Skirt Day.

During the 2nd session of the 43rd Parliament, the committee also considered the subject matter of those elements contained in Divisions 10 and 31 of Part 4 of Bill C-30, An Act to implement certain provisions of the budget tabled in Parliament on April 19, 2021, and other measures.

Reports to the Senate

1st Session, 44th Parliament

Report	Order of Reference	Date	Witnesses	Contents
First	Rule 12-26	2021-12-15	-	Expenses incurred during the previous session
Second	Bill S-219, An Act respecting a National Ribbon Skirt Day	2022-03-29	7	Bill S-219, without amendment but with observations

2nd Session, 43rd Parliament

Report	Order of Reference	Date	Witnesses	Contents
Second	The subject matter of those elements contained in Divisions 10 and 31 of Part 4 of Bill C-30, An Act to implement certain provisions of the budget tabled in Parliament on April 19, 2021 and other measures	2021-06-01	10	Subject matter of Divisions 10 and 31 of Part 4 of Bill C-30

Third	Bill C-15, An Act respecting the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples	2021-06-10	-	Bill C-15, without amendment but with observations
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Committee Activities: Comparison Over Five Fiscal Years, 2017-22

Fiscal Year	Meetings	Meeting Hours	Fact-finding Hours	Witnesses	Reports
2021-22	10	27.75	-	106	4
2020-21	1	0.3	-	-	1
2019-20	19	48.3	-	115	8
2018-19	32	52.3	20.4	99	4
2017-18	36	67.8	27	144	5

Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2021-22

Budget expenditures	-
Witness expenses	\$153
TOTAL	\$153

Committee Membership

1st Session, 44th Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Francis (Progressive Senate Group)

Deputy chair:

The Honourable Senator Christmas (Independent Senators Group)

Members of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Arnot, Brazeau, Christmas, Coyle, Francis, Hartling, Lovelace Nicholas, Martin, Pate, Patterson and Tannas

Ex officio members:

The Honourable Senators Gold, P.C. (or Gagné) and Plett (or Martin)

Senators who participated as members during the fiscal year:

The Honourable Senators Ataullahjan, Duncan, LaBoucane-Benson, Plett and Sorensen

Committee support:

Andrea Mugny, Clerk of the Committee
Lori Meldrum, Committee Assistant

Library of Parliament:

Brittany Collier, Analyst
Sara Fryer, Analyst

2nd Session, 43rd Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Christmas (Independent Senators Group)

Deputy chairs:

The Honourable Senator Francis (Progressive Senate Group)
The Honourable Senator Patterson (Conservative Party of Canada)

Members of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Anderson, Christmas, Coyle, Forest-Niesing, Francis, Hartling, LaBoucane-Benson, MacDonald, Pate, Patterson, Plett and Tannas

Ex officio members:

The Honourable Senators Gold, P.C. (or Gagné) and Plett (or Martin)

Senators who participated as members during the fiscal year:

The Honourable Senators Cotter, Deacon (*Ontario*), Lankin, P.C., Lovelace Nicholas, Martin, Stewart Olsen (retired)

Committee support:

Andrea Mugny, Clerk of the Committee
Nathalie Boutros, Committee Assistant

Library of Parliament:

Brittany Collier, Analyst
Sara Fryer, Analyst

Standing Committee on Banking, Trade and Commerce (BANC)

General Information

The Standing Senate Committee on Banking, Trade and Commerce has the mandate to study issues related to banking, insurance, trust and loan companies, credit societies, caisses populaires, and small loan companies. It is also responsible for considering customs and excise issues, taxation legislation, patents, royalties, corporate affairs, and bankruptcy-related issues.

Over the fiscal year, the committee undertook four topic studies on contemporary issues in Canadian banking under its general order of reference: cryptocurrency, business investment, the labour market and the housing market. During the 43rd Parliament, the committee considered the subject matter of Divisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8 and 9 of Part 4 of Bill C-30, An Act to implement certain provisions of the budget tabled in Parliament on April 19, 2021, and other measures, and Bill C-218, An Act to amend the Criminal Code (sports betting). The committee published three reports during the year.

Reports to the Senate

1st Session, 44th Parliament

Report	Order of Reference	Date	Witnesses	Contents
First	Rule 12-26	2021-12-16	-	Expenses incurred during the previous session

2nd Session, 43rd Parliament

Report	Order of Reference	Date	Witnesses	Contents
Second	The subject matter of Divisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8 and 9 of Part 4 of Bill C-30, An Act to implement certain provisions of the budget tabled in Parliament on April	2021-06-03	23	Subject matter of Divisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8 and 9 of Part 4 of Bill C-30

	19, 2021 and other measures			
Third	Bill C-218, An Act to amend the Criminal Code (sports betting)	2021-06-08	12	Bill C-218, without amendment but with observations

Committee Activities: Comparison Over Five Fiscal Years, 2017-22

Fiscal Year	Meetings	Meeting Hours	Fact-finding Hours	Witnesses	Reports
2021-22	13	24.9	-	52	3
2020-21	1	0.5	-	-	1
2019-20	11	16.3	-	39	2
2018-19	36	54.6	-	156	10
2017-18	40	54.0	38.3	118	9

Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2021-22

Budget expenditures	-
Witness expenses	\$107
TOTAL	\$107

Committee Membership

1st Session, 44th Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Wallin (Canadian Senators Group)

Deputy chair:

The Honourable Senator Deacon (*Nova Scotia*) (Independent Senators Group)

Members of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Bellemare, Deacon (*Nova Scotia*), Gignac, Loffreda, Marshall, Massicotte, Quinn, Ringuette, Smith, Wallin, Woo and Yussuff

Ex officio members:

The Honourable Senators Gold, P.C. (or Gagné) and Plett (or Martin)

Committee support:

Kalina Waltos, Clerk of the Committee

Debbie Larocque, Committee Assistant

Library of Parliament:

Andrew Barton, Analyst

Adriane Yong, Analyst

2nd Session, 43rd Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Wetston (Independent Senators Group)

Deputy chairs:

The Honourable Senator Smith (Conservative Party of Canada)

The Honourable Senator Wallin (Canadian Senators Group)

Members of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Bellemare, Deacon (*Nova Scotia*), Klyne, Loffreda, Marshall, Moncion, Ringuette, Smith, Stewart Olsen, Tannas, Wallin and Wetston

Ex officio members:

The Honourable Senators Gold, P.C. (or Gagné) and Plett (or Martin)

Senators who participated as members during the fiscal year:

The Honourable Senators Anderson, Dagenais and Wells

Committee support:

Mireille K. Aubé, Clerk of the Committee

Tracy Amendola, Committee Assistant

Library of Parliament:

Brett Stuckey, Analyst

Adriane Yong, Analyst

Standing Committee on Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration (CIBA)

General Information

The Standing Committee on Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration has a mandate to consider all matters of a financial or administrative nature relating to the internal management of the Senate. It reviews and authorizes the budget applications of committees, sets guidelines and policies on items such as senators' travel and research expenditures, and determines the propriety of any use of Senate resources. It should be noted that the committee is authorized to carry out its mandate on its own initiative rather than being dependent on an order of reference from the Senate (rule 12-7(1)).

Reports to the Senate

1st Session, 44th Parliament

Report	Order of Reference	Date	Witnesses	Contents
First	Rule 12-7(1), consideration of financial and administrative matters	2021-12-07	-	Financial statements of the Senate of Canada for the year ended March 31, 2021
Second	Rule 12-7(1), consideration of financial and administrative matters	2022-02-24	1	Senate Main Estimates for the fiscal year 2022-23

2nd Session, 43rd Parliament

Report	Order of Reference	Date	Witnesses	Contents
Sixth	Rule 12-7(1), consideration of financial and administrative matters	2021-06-16	2	Annual Report on Parliamentary Associations' Activities and Expenditures for the 2020-21 fiscal year

Committee Activities: Comparison Over Five Fiscal Years, 2017-22

Fiscal Year	Meetings	Meeting Hours	Fact-finding Hours	Witnesses	Reports
2021-22	9	13.4	-	56	3
2020-21	17	29	-	61	5
2019-20	18	27.9	-	49	8
2018-19	18	21.5	-	33	11
2017-18	22	29.8	-	39	16

Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2021-22

Budget expenditures	-
Witness expenses	-
TOTAL	-

Committee Membership

1st Session, 44th Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Marwah (Independent Senators Group)

Deputy chairs:

The Honourable Senator Campbell (Canadian Senators Group)

The Honourable Senator Dawson (Progressive Senate Group)

The Honourable Senator Smith (Conservative Party of Canada)

Members of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Bovey, Boyer, Campbell, Dawson, Dean, Forest, Marshall, Marwah, Moodie, Moncion, Plett, Saint-Germain, Seidman, Smith and Tannas

Ex officio members:

The Honourable Senators Gold, P.C. (or Gagné) and Plett (or Martin)

Senators who participated as members during the fiscal year:

The Honourable Senators Carignan P.C., Dasko, Housakos, Loffreda, Martin, Massicotte, Oh, Ringuette and Wells

Committee Support:

Pascale Legault, Clerk of the Committee

Keli Hogan, Recording Secretary

Axel Saizonou, Committee Assistant

The Secretariat of Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration supports the work of the committee

2nd Session, 43rd Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Marwah (Independent Senators Group)

Deputy chairs:

The Honourable Senator Marshall (Conservative Party of Canada)

The Honourable Senator Dawson (Progressive Senate Group)

The Honourable Senator Tannas (Canadian Senators Group)

Members of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Bovey, Campbell, Carignan, P.C., Dawson, Dean, Forest, Jaffer, Marshall, Marwah, Massicotte, Moncion, Plett, Saint-Germain, Seidman and Tannas

Ex officio members:

The Honourable Senators Gold, P.C. (or Gagné) and Plett (or Martin)

Senators who participated as members during the fiscal year:

The Honourable Senators Duncan, Forest-Niesing, Loffreda, Munson (retired), Oh, Omidvar, Ringuette and Wells

Committee Support:

Pascale Legault, Clerk of the Committee

Keli Hogan, Recording Secretary

Axel Saizonou, Committee Assistant

The Secretariat of Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration supports the work of the committee

Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure of the Standing Committee on Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration (CIBA Steering Committee)

General Information

The Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (also referred to as the steering committee) is composed of the chair and deputy chairs of the Standing Committee on Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration. It is responsible for making decisions on behalf of the committee with respect to its agenda, inviting witnesses and scheduling meetings. As well, the subcommittee advises the Senate on its communication strategy and implementation including communication approaches used to promote the role and work of the Senate and senators. If the full committee is unable to meet, the steering committee is authorized by the Parliament of Canada Act to deal with and resolve immediate administrative problems deemed urgent, and to report its decisions at the first meeting of the Standing Committee on Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration thereafter.

Reports to the Committee

The steering committee reports to the Standing Committee on Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration. The following reports were presented in the public portion of the committee:

1st Session, 44th Parliament

- Second Report: Decisions made on March 10, 2022
- Twelfth Report: Bi-Annual Exemptions to *Senators' Office Management Policy*

2nd Session, 43rd Parliament

- Tenth Report: Decision made on June 8, 2021
- Ninth Report: Updated *Senate Room Allocations Policy*
- Seventh Report: Decision made on March 23, 2021
- Fifth Report: Quarterly financial report for the quarter ended December 31, 2020
- Fourth Report: revised updated *Information Management Policy*

Subcommittee Activities

The steering committee held several meetings in camera during the fiscal year.

Subcommittee Membership

1st Session, 44th Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Marwah (Independent Senators Group)

Deputy chairs:

The Honourable Senator Campbell (Canadian Senators Group)

The Honourable Senator Dawson (Progressive Senate Group)

The Honourable Senator Smith (Conservative Party of Canada)

Subcommittee support:

Pascale Legault, Clerk of the Subcommittee

The Secretariat of Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration supports the work of the subcommittee

2nd Session, 43rd Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Marwah (Independent Senators Group)

Deputy chairs:

The Honourable Senator Dawson (Progressive Senate Group) (since July 2021)

The Honourable Senator Marshall (Conservative Party of Canada)

The Honourable Senator Munson (Progressive Senate Group) (until retirement in July 2021)

The Honourable Senator Tannas (Canadian Senators Group)

Subcommittee support:

Pascale Legault, Clerk of the Subcommittee

The Secretariat of Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration supports the work of the subcommittee

Subcommittee on Communications (COMS)

General Information

The Subcommittee on Communications was mandated by the Standing Committee on Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration (CIBA) to advise the Senate on its communications strategy and implementation including communication approaches used to promote the role and work of the Senate and senators. The Subcommittee was not created at the start of the 44th Parliament. The subcommittee's role was absorbed by CIBA's Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (Steering committee) until the end of the current fiscal year.

Reports to the Committee

The subcommittee did not report during the fiscal year.

Subcommittee Activities

The subcommittee held one meeting in camera during the fiscal year.

Subcommittee Membership

1st Session, 44th Parliament

The subcommittee was not created at the start of this session.

2nd Session, 43rd Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Marwah (Independent Senators Group)

Deputy chair:

The Honourable Senator Marshall (Conservative Party of Canada)

Members of the subcommittee:

The Honourable Senators Dawson, Jaffer, Marshall, Marwah and Tannas

Subcommittee support:

Shaila Anwar, Clerk of the Subcommittee

Annie Trudel, Subcommittee Assistant

The CIBA Secretariat also supports the work of the subcommittee

Subcommittee on Diversity (DVSC)

General Information

The Subcommittee on Diversity is mandated by the Standing Committee on Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration to examine and report on issues of diversity in the Senate workforce.

Reports to the Committee

The subcommittee presented no reports to the Standing Committee on Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration during the fiscal year.

Subcommittee Activities

The subcommittee held two in camera meetings and one partial in camera meeting during the fiscal year.

Subcommittee Membership

1st Session, 44th Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Moodie (Independent Senators Group)

Deputy chair:

The Honourable Senator Bovey (Progressive Senate Group)

Members of the subcommittee:

The Honourable Senators Bovey, Boyer, Campbell, Moodie and Seidman

Subcommittee support:

Jodi Turner, Clerk of the Subcommittee

Tracy Amendola, Subcommittee Assistant

The Secretariat of Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration supports the work of the subcommittee

2nd Session, 43rd Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Jaffer (Progressive Senate Group)

Deputy chair:

The Honourable Senator Seidman (Conservative Party of Canada)

Members of the subcommittee:

The Honourable Senators Bovey, Dean, Jaffer, Seidman and Tannas

Senators who participated as members during the fiscal year:

The Honourable Senators Dawson and Wells

Subcommittee support:

Mireille K. Aubé, Clerk of the Subcommittee

Tracy Amendola, Subcommittee Assistant

The Secretariat of Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration supports the work of the subcommittee

Subcommittee on Human Resources (HRRH)

General Information

The Subcommittee on Human Resources is mandated by the Standing Committee on Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration to examine issues related to human resources in the Senate including the harmonization of working conditions and benefits of Senate employees, whether they work for the Administration, for a senator, or for an officer of the Senate. It also examines the working conditions and benefits of Senate employees and conducts reviews of Senate policies referred to it by the committee.

Reports to the Committee

The subcommittee presented six reports to the Standing Committee on Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration during the fiscal year.

Subcommittee Activities

The subcommittee held eight meetings in camera during the fiscal year.

Subcommittee Membership

1st Session, 44th Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Saint-Germain (Independent Senators Group)

Deputy chair:

The Honourable Senator Seidman (Conservative Party of Canada)

Members of the subcommittee:

The Honourable Senators Bovey, Campbell, Dean, Saint-Germain and Seidman

Subcommittee support:

Maxime Fortin, Clerk of the Subcommittee

Brigitte Martineau, Subcommittee Assistant

The Secretariat of the Standing Committee on Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration supports the work of the subcommittee

2nd Session, 43rd Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Saint-Germain (Independent Senators Group)

Deputy chair:

The Honourable Senator Seidman (Conservative Party of Canada)

Members of the subcommittee:

The Honourable Senators Bovey, Campbell, Dean, Saint-Germain and Seidman

Senators who participated as members during the fiscal year:

The Honourable Senator Dawson

Subcommittee support:

Marie-Ève Belzile, Clerk of the Subcommittee

Brigitte Martineau, Subcommittee Assistant

The Secretariat of the Standing Committee on Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration supports the work of the subcommittee

Subcommittee on Long Term Vision and Plan (LTVP)

General Information

The Subcommittee on Long Term Vision and Plan is mandated by the Standing Committee on Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration (CIBA) to, in coordination with the Senate Administration, supervise all steps, processes and decisions relating to the program of work for the long-term vision and plan for the parliamentary precinct. It also examines the best way to ensure that the renovations of Centre Block and all other buildings that will be occupied by the Senate respect the heritage and best interests of the institution.

Reports to the Committee

The subcommittee presented four reports to CIBA during the fiscal year.

Subcommittee Activities

The subcommittee held seven meetings in camera during the fiscal year.

Subcommittee Membership

1st Session, 44th Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Tannas (Canadian Senators Group)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Dawson (Progressive Senate Group)

Members of the subcommittee:

The Honourable Senators Boyer, Dawson, Forest, Plett and Tannas

Senators who participated as members during the fiscal year:

The Honourable Senators Housakos and Cormier

Subcommittee support:

Shaila Anwar, Clerk of the Subcommittee

Annie Trudel, Subcommittee Assistant

The Secretariat of Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration supports the work of the subcommittee

2nd Session, 43rd Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Plett (Conservative Party of Canada)

Members of the subcommittee:

The Honourable Senators Campbell, Dawson, Forest, Forest-Niesing and Plett

Senators who participated as members during the fiscal year:

The Honourable Senators Bovey, Duncan, Marwah, Munson (retired), Saint-Germain and Tannas

Subcommittee support:

Shaila Anwar, Clerk of the Subcommittee

Tracy Amendola, Subcommittee Assistant (until April 2021)

Annie Trudel, Subcommittee Assistant (since April 2021)

The Secretariat of Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration supports the work of the subcommittee

Subcommittee on the Senate Estimates and Committee Budgets (SEBS)

General Information

The Subcommittee on Senate Estimates is mandated by the Standing Committee on Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration to examine the Senate's Main Estimates, including new funding requests, and any Supplementary Estimates requests. It is also called on, from time to time, to study issues related to the management of the Senate's annual budget, including the review of policies referred to it by the committee.

On February 10, 2022, CIBA adopted a motion establishing the subcommittee with a slightly different name and mandate than its previous iteration in past sessions. The motion combined the mandates of the former subcommittees on the Main Estimates and on Committee Budgets. The subcommittee was therefore renamed: Subcommittee on Senate Estimates and Committee Budgets. The subcommittee was authorized to examine and report on financial matters, including:

any proposed estimates, keeping in mind the necessity for the Senate and its Administration to demonstrate responsible management of the public funds that are allocated to the institution;

committee budgets and making recommendations on the allocation and release of funds; and

Senate policies referred to it by the committee.

Reports to the Committee

The subcommittee presented 11 reports to the Standing Committee on Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration during the fiscal year.

Subcommittee Activities

The subcommittee held 10 meetings in camera during the fiscal year.

Subcommittee Membership

1st Session, 44th Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Moncion (Independent Senators Group)

Deputy chair:

The Honourable Senator Marshall (Conservative Party of Canada)

Members of the subcommittee:

The Honourable Senators Bovey, Campbell, Forest, Marshall and Moncion

Subcommittee support:

Marie-Ève Belzile, Clerk of the Subcommittee

Tracy Amendola, Subcommittee Assistant

The Secretariat of Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration supports the work of the subcommittee

2nd Session, 43rd Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Moncion (Independent Senators Group)

Deputy chair:

The Honourable Senator Marshall (Conservative Party of Canada)

Members of the subcommittee:

The Honourable Senators Bovey, Marshall, Moncion, Saint-Germain and Tannas

Senators who participated as members during the fiscal year:

The Honourable Senator Munson (retired)

Subcommittee support:

Marie-Ève Belzile, Clerk of the Subcommittee

Martine Willox, Subcommittee Assistant

The Secretariat of Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration supports the work of the subcommittee

Standing Committee on Ethics and Conflict of Interest for Senators (CONF)

General Information

The Standing Committee on Ethics and Conflict of Interest for Senators is responsible for all matters relating to the *Ethics and Conflict of Interest Code for Senators*. It may give general direction to the Senate Ethics Officer concerning the interpretation, application and administration of the *Code*, and the committee is authorized to exercise these powers on its own initiative. The committee also considers any inquiry reports from the Senate Ethics Officer, who is an independent officer of the Senate. The committee has reviewed and amended the *Code* a number of times since its inception.

Reports to the Senate

2nd Session, 43rd Parliament

Report	Order of Reference	Date	Witnesses	Contents
Second	Consideration of matters relating to the <i>Ethics and Conflict of Interest Code for Senators</i>	2021-04-20	-	Interim report on amendments to the <i>Code</i> in relation to the <i>Senate Harassment and Violence Prevention Policy</i>
Third	Consideration of matters relating to the <i>Ethics and Conflict of Interest Code for Senators</i>	2021-06-02	-	Interim report on amendments to the <i>Code</i>

Committee Activities: Comparison Over Five Fiscal Years, 2017-22

Fiscal Year	Meetings	Meeting Hours	Fact-finding Hours	Witnesses	Reports
2021-22	6	8.6	-	2	2
2020-21	12	18.3	-	2	3
2019-20	13	28.8	-	-	4
2018-19	17	29.9	-	23	-
2017-18	16	20.4	-	3	3

Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2021-22

Budget expenditures	-
Witness expenses	-
TOTAL	-

Committee Membership**1st Session, 44th Parliament**

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Seidman (Conservative Party of Canada)

Deputy chair:

The Honourable Senator Cotter (Independent Senators Group)

Members of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Busson, Carignan, P.C., Cotter, Harder, P.C., Seidman and White

Senators who participated as members during the fiscal year:

The Honourable Senator Patterson

Committee support:

Joëlle Nadeau, Clerk of the Committee

Debbie Larocque, Committee Assistant

Office of the Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel:

Charles Feldman, Parliamentary Counsel

David Groves, Legal Counsel

Library of Parliament:

Stephanie Feldman, Analyst

2nd Session, 43rd Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Seidman (Conservative Party of Canada)

Deputy chair:

The Honourable Senator Tannas (Canadian Senators Group)

Members of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Busson, Cotter, Harder, P.C., Patterson, Seidman and Tannas

Committee support:

Marie-Ève Belzile, Clerk of the Committee
Debbie Larocque, Committee Assistant

Office of the Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel:

Charles Feldman, Parliamentary Counsel
David Groves, Legal Counsel

Library of Parliament:

Isabelle Brideau, Analyst

Standing Committee on Energy, the Environment and Natural Resources (ENEV)

General Information

The Standing Senate Committee on Energy, the Environment and Natural Resources has a mandate to examine legislation and to study matters related to energy, the environment and natural resources generally, including mines and natural resources, other than fisheries and forestry; pipelines, transmission lines and energy transportation; environmental affairs; and other energy-related matters. During the fiscal year, the committee examined the subject matter of one bill, and began a special study.

First, the committee examined the subject matter of Bill C-12, An Act respecting transparency and accountability in Canada's efforts to achieve net-zero greenhouse gas emissions by the year 2050. The committee reported its findings to the Senate.

At the beginning of the Forty-fourth Parliament, the committee began a special study on hydrogen energy.

Reports to the Senate

1st Session, 44th Parliament

Report	Order of Reference	Date	Witnesses	Contents
First	Rule 12-26	2021-12-16	-	Expenses incurred during the previous session

2nd Session, 43rd Parliament

Report	Order of Reference	Date	Witnesses	Contents
Third	Examine the subject matter of Bill C-12, An Act respecting transparency and accountability in Canada's efforts to achieve net-zero greenhouse gas	2021-06-22	35	The subject matter of Bill C-12

	emissions by the year 2050			
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Committee Activities: Comparison Over Five Fiscal Years, 2017-22

Fiscal Year	Meetings	Meeting Hours	Fact-finding Hours	Witnesses	Reports
2021-22	12	19.9	-	59	2
2020-21	4	5.2	-	10	2
2019-20	33	83.4	-	242	3
2018-19	35	68.7	-	121	6
2017-18	34	52.9	41.3	117	7

Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2021-22

Budget expenditures	-
Witness expenses	\$326
TOTAL	\$326

Committee Membership

1st Session, 44th Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Massicotte (Independent Senators Group)

Deputy chair:

The Honourable Senator Verner, P.C. (Canadian Senators Group)

Members of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Anderson, Arnot, Carignan, P.C., Galvez, Gignac, Massicotte, McCallum, Miville-Dechéne, Patterson, Seidman, Sorensen and Verner, P.C.

Ex officio members:

The Honourable Senators Gold, P.C. (or Gagné) and Plett (or Martin)

Senators who participated as members during the fiscal year:

The Honourable Senators Ataullahjan, Dawson, Downe, Griffin (retired), Pate, Quinn and Yussuff

Committee support:

Chantal Cardinal, Clerk of the Committee

Louise Martel, Committee Assistant

Library of Parliament:

Sam Banks, Analyst

Jesse Good, Analyst

2nd Session, 43rd Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Massicotte (Independent Senators Group)

Deputy chairs:

The Honourable Senator Black (*Alberta*) (Canadian Senators Group)

The Honourable Senator Carignan, P.C. (Conservative Party of Canada)

Members of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Anderson, Black (*Alberta*), Carignan, P.C., Cotter, Galvez, Massicotte, McCallum, Miville-Dechêne, Patterson, Seidman, Simons and Verner, P.C.

Ex officio members:

The Honourable Senators Gold, P.C. (or Gagné) and Plett (or Martin)

Senators who participated as members during the fiscal year:

The Honourable Senators Bovey, Cordy, Dagenais, Richards, Wells and Woo

Committee support:

Chantal Cardinal, Clerk of the Committee

Martine Willox, Committee Assistant

Library of Parliament:

Sam Banks, Analyst

Jesse Good, Analyst

Standing Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs (LCJC)

General Information

The Standing Senate Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs has the mandate to examine legislation and to study matters relating to legal and constitutional matters generally, including the criminal justice system and the Criminal Code, constitutional issues, electoral matters, linguistic and legal duality, federal-provincial relations, law reform, the judiciary and most private bills. The committee has historically been, and continues to be, one of the Senate's busiest committees. The vast majority of the committee's work entails the consideration of legislation, although from time to time the committee has undertaken more in-depth special studies on areas related to its mandate. Over the fiscal year, the committee studied the subject matter of Bill C-3, An Act to amend the Criminal Code and the Canada Labour Code. The committee also studied a constitutional amendment regarding the Canadian Pacific Railway in Saskatchewan.

Reports to the Senate

1st Session, 44th Parliament

Report	Order of Reference	Date	Witnesses	Contents
First	Rule 12-26	2021-12-07	-	Expenses incurred during the previous session
Second	Examine the subject matter of clauses 1 to 5 contained in Bill C-3, An Act to amend the Criminal Code and the Canada Labour Code	2021-12-16	3	Interim report on the subject matter of clauses 1 to 5 contained in Bill C-3
Third	Bill S-207, An Act to change the name of the electoral district of Châteauguay—Lacolle	2021-12-16	1	Bill S-207, without amendment
Fourth	Motion regarding the taxation of the Canadian Pacific Railway in Saskatchewan	2022-03-31	12	Government motion 14 (taxation of the Canadian Pacific Railway in Saskatchewan)

2nd Session, 43rd Parliament

Report	Order of Reference	Date	Witnesses	Contents
Fifth	Bill C-3, An Act to amend the Judges Act and the Criminal Code	2021-04-20	25	Bill C-3, without amendment but with observations
Sixth	The subject matter of those elements contained in Divisions 26, 27 and 37 of Part 4 of Bill C-30, An Act to implement certain provisions of the budget tabled in Parliament on April 19, 2021, and other measures	2021-06-02	11	The subject matter of those elements contained in Divisions 26, 27 and 37 of Part 4 of Bill C-30
Seventh	Bill S-203, An Act to restrict young persons' online access to sexually explicit material	2021-06-15	14	Bill S-203 with amendments

Committee Activities: Comparison Over Five Fiscal Years, 2017-22

Fiscal Year	Meetings	Meeting Hours	Fact-finding Hours	Witnesses	Reports
2021-22	14	26.8	-	55	7
2020-21	15	61.4	-	172	4
2019-20	21	48.8	-	114	6
2018-19	40	78.2	-	145	7
2017-18	33	56.4	-	155	9

Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2021-22

Budget expenditures	-
Witness expenses	\$380
TOTAL	\$380

Committee Membership

1st Session, 44th Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Jaffer (Independent Senators Group)

Deputy chair:

The Honourable Senator Boisvenu (Conservative Party of Canada)

Members of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Batters, Boisvenu, Boniface, Campbell, Clement, Cotter, Dalphond, Dupuis, Harder, P.C., Jaffer, Pate and White

Ex officio members:

The Honourable Senators Gold, P.C. (or Gagné) and Plett (or Martin)

Senators who participated as members during the fiscal year:

The Honourable Senators Anderson, Carignan, P.C., Dawson, Simons, Tannas, Wallin and Wetston (retired)

Committee support:

Mark Palmer, Clerk of the Committee
Laurie-Anne Spooner, Committee Assistant

Library of Parliament:

Michaela Keenan-Pelletier, Analyst
Julian Walker, Analyst

2nd Session, 43rd Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Jaffer (Independent Senators Group)

Deputy chairs:

The Honourable Senator Batters (Conservative Party of Canada) The Honourable Senator Campbell (Canadian Senators Group)

Members of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Batters, Boisvenu, Boniface, Boyer, Campbell, Carignan, P.C., Cotter, Dagenais, Dalphond, Dupuis, Jaffer and Simons

Ex officio members:

The Honourable Senators Gold, P.C. (or Gagné) and Plett (or Martin)

Senators who participated as members during the fiscal year:

The Honourable Senators Griffin (retired), Keating, Mégie, Miville-Dechêne, Pate and Tannas

Committee support:

Mark Palmer, Clerk of the Committee

Maritza Jean-Pierre, Committee Assistant

Library of Parliament:

Michaela Keenan-Pelletier, Analyst

Julian Walker, Analyst

Standing Committee on National Finance (NFFN)

General Information

The Standing Senate Committee on National Finance has the mandate to examine matters relating to federal estimates generally. Historically, the committee has been, and continues to be, one of the Senate's busiest committees. Over the fiscal year, the committee focused on the Estimates, which outline the federal government's expenditure plans. In addition to Bill C-14, An Act to implement certain provisions of the economic statement tabled in Parliament on November 30, 2020 and other measures, the committee also studied Bill S-222, An Act to amend the Income Tax Act (use of resources), and reported back to the Senate without amendment in June 2021.

Reports to the Senate

1st Session, 44th Parliament

Report	Order of Reference	Date	Witnesses	Contents
First	Rule 12-26	2021-12-14	-	Expenses incurred by the committee during the Second Session of the Forty-third Parliament
Second	Supplementary Estimates (B) for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2022	2021-12-16	43	Supplementary Estimates (B) for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2022
Third	Supplementary Estimates (C) for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2022	2022-03-30	28	Supplementary Estimates (C) for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2022

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Report	Order of Reference	Date	Witnesses	Contents
Fourth	Bill C-14, An Act to implement certain provisions of the economic statement tabled in Parliament on November 30, 2020 and other measures	2021-05-04	24	Bill C-14, An Act to implement certain provisions of the economic statement tabled in Parliament on November 30, 2020 and other measures, without amendment
Fifth	Bill S-222, An Act to amend the Income Tax Act (use of resources)	2021-06-09	6	Bill S-222, An Act to amend the Income Tax Act (use of resources), without amendment
Sixth	Supplementary Estimates (A) for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2022	2021-06-17	36	The expenditures set out in the Supplementary Estimates (A) for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2022

Committee Activities: Comparison Over Five Fiscal Years, 2017-22

Fiscal Year	Meetings	Meeting Hours	Fact-finding Hours	Witnesses	Reports
2021-22	24	45.4	0	205	6
2020-21	24	58.3	-	172	5
2019-20	36	59.3	-	180	6
2018-19	59	95.7	6.5	325	12
2017-18	79	145.3	-	346	13

Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2021-22

Budget Expenditures	-
Witness Expenses	\$90
TOTAL	\$90

Committee Membership

1st Session, 44th Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Mockler (Conservative Party of Canada)

Deputy chair:

The Honourable Senator Forest (Independent Senators Group)

Members of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Boehm, Dagenais, Duncan, Forest, Galvez, Gerba, Gignac, Loffreda, Marshall, Mockler, Pate and Richards

Ex officio members:

The Honourable Senators Gold, P.C. (or Gagné) and Plett (or Martin)

Senators who participated as members during the fiscal year:

The Honourable Senators Arnot, Cordy, Moncion, Simons, Smith, Wetston and Yussuff

Committee support:

Mireille Aubé, Clerk of the Committee
Annie Trudel, Committee Assistant

Library of Parliament:

Shaowei Pu, Analyst
Michaël Lambert-Racine, Analyst
Brett Stuckey, Analyst

2nd Session, 43rd Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Mockler (Conservative Party of Canada)

Deputy chairs:

The Honourable Senator Forest (Independent Senators Group)

The Honourable Senator Klyne (Progressive Senate Group)

Members of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Boehm, Dagenais, Deacon (*Ontario*), Duncan, Forest, Galvez, Klyne, Loffreda, Marshall, Mockler, Richards and Smith

Ex officio members:

The Honourable Senators Gold, P.C. (or Gagné) and Plett (or Martin)

Senators who participated as members during the fiscal year:

The Honourable Senators Dasko, Downe, Duncan, Lankin, P.C., Moncion, Pate and Ringuette

(Other senators present: The Honourable Senators Griffin and Omidvar)

Committee support:

Maxime Fortin, Clerk of the Committee

Louise Martel, Committee Assistant

Library of Parliament:

Shaowei Pu, Analyst

Alex Smith, Analyst

Sylvain Fleury, Analyst

Standing Committee on Official Languages (OLLO)

General Information

The Standing Senate Committee on Official Languages has the mandate to study all matters relating to official languages generally. It studies matters relating to the application of the *Official Languages Act* (OLA) and of the regulations and directives made under it. The committee takes an interest in the respect of Canadians' language rights and the principle of equality of Canada's two official languages. It examines questions pertaining to the OLA and pays particular attention to the federal government's commitment to advancing English and French in Canadian society and its role in enhancing the vitality of English and French linguistic minority communities.

Committee Activities: Comparison Over Five Fiscal Years, 2017-22

Fiscal Year	Meetings	Meeting Hours	Fact-finding Hours	Witnesses	Reports
2021-22	8	12.1	-	30	0
2020-21	1	0.5	-	-	1
2019-20	5	5.4	-	4	2
2018-19	23	45.7	2	100	3
2017-18	26	48.4	8.5	111	6

Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2021-22

Budget Expenditures	-
Witness expenses	\$50
TOTAL	\$50

Committee Membership

1st Session, 44th Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Cormier (Independent Senators Group)

Deputy chair:

The Honourable Rose-May Poirier (Conservative Party of Canada)

Members of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Clement, Cormier, Dagenais, Dalphond, Gagné, Mégie, Mockler, Moncion and Poirier

Ex-officio members:

The Honourable Senators Gold, P.C. (or Gagné) and Plett (or Martin)

Committee support:

Gaëtane Lemay, Clerk of the Committee
Laurie-Anne Spooner, Committee Assistant

Library of Parliament:

Marie-Ève Hudon, Analyst

2nd Session, 43rd Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Cormier (Independent Senators Group)

Deputy chairs:

The Honourable Senator Dagenais (Canadian Senators Group)
The Honourable Senator Smith (Conservative Party of Canada)

Members of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Bovey, Carignan, P.C., Cormier, Dagenais, Gagné, Mockler, Moncion, Smith

Ex officio members:

The Honourable Senators Gold, P.C. (or Gagné) and Plett (or Martin)

Senators who participated as members during the fiscal year:

The Honourable Senators Jaffer and Saint-Germain

Committee support:

Vincent Labrosse, Clerk of the Committee
Jamey Irwin, Committee Assistant

Library of Parliament:

Stephanie Feldman, Analyst
Marie-Ève Hudon, Analyst

Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans (POFO)

General Information

The Standing Senate Committee on Fisheries and Oceans has the mandate to study issues relating to fisheries and oceans generally. It is particularly interested in the management of oceans, aquatic resources and fisheries, aquatic life and ecosystems, the fishing industry and the safety of waterways. The committee is also interested in the federal government's current and evolving framework for managing Canada's fisheries and oceans.

On February 10, 2022, the committee was authorized by the Senate to study the implementation of Indigenous rights-based fisheries across Canada.

Reports to the Senate

1st Session, 44th Parliament

Report	Order of Reference	Date	Witnesses	Contents
First	Rule 12-26	2021-12-14	-	Expenses incurred during the previous session

Committee Activities: Comparison Over Five Fiscal Years, 2017-22

Fiscal Year	Meetings	Meeting Hours	Fact-finding Hours	Witnesses	Reports
2021-22	7	11.4	-	26	1
2020-21	1	0.4	-	-	1
2019-20	11	20.5	-	60	2
2018-19	19	30.5	17	56	1
2017-18	30	35.1	51.8	55	5

Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2021-22

Budget Expenditures	-
Witness Expenses	\$139
TOTAL	\$139

Committee Membership

1st Session, 44th Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Manning (Conservative Party of Canada)

Deputy chair:

The Honourable Senator Busson (Independent Senators Group)

Members of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Ataullahjan, Busson, Campbell, Christmas, Cordy, Cormier, Francis, Kutcher, Manning, Petitclerc, Quinn and Ravalia

Ex officio members:

The Honourable Senators Gold, P.C. (or Gagné) and Plett (or Martin)

Senators who participated as members during the fiscal year:

The Honourable Senators McCallum and Wells

Committee support:

François Michaud, Clerk of the Committee
Elda Donnelly, Committee Assistant

Library of Parliament:

Daniele Lafrance, Analyst
Thai Nguyen, Analyst

2nd Session, 43rd Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Manning (Conservative Party of Canada)

Deputy chairs:

The Honourable Senator Busson (Independent Senators Group)

The Honourable Senator Richards (Canadian Senators Group)

Members of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Ataullahjan, Busson, Campbell, Christmas, Cormier, Francis, Kutcher, Manning, Poirier, Ravalia, Richards and Ringuette

Ex officio members:

The Honourable Senators Gold, P.C. (or Gagné) and Plett (or Martin)

Committee support:

Vincent Labrosse, Clerk of the Committee
Brigitte Martineau, Committee Assistant

Library of Parliament:

Daniele Lafrance, Analyst

Standing Committee on Human Rights (RIDR)

General Information

The Standing Senate Committee on Human Rights has the broad mandate to examine, explore and monitor issues relating to human rights generally. During the Second Session of the Forty-third Parliament, the Senate referred one bill (Bill S-204 An Act to amend the Criminal Code and the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act (trafficking in human organs)) to the committee. In addition, under its general order of reference, the committee reviewed two draft reports on (i) forced and coerced sterilization and (ii) the human rights of federally sentenced persons. Both of these special studies were initiated during the Forty-second Parliament, but the committee was unable to complete its work before its dissolution. During the First Session of the Forty-fourth Parliament, the Senate referred one bill (S-211 An Act to enact the Fighting Against Forced Labour and Child Labour in Supply Chains Act and to amend the Customs Tariff) to the committee. In the fiscal year, RIDR held four meetings on this bill with 20 witnesses.

Reports to the Senate

2nd Session, 43rd Parliament

Report	Order of Reference	Date	Witnesses	Contents
Fourth	Topic: Human Rights of Federally Sentenced Persons	2021-06-16	0	Human Rights of Federally-Sentenced Persons
Third	Topic: Forced and Coerced Sterilization of Persons in Canada	2021-06-03	0	Forced and Coerced Sterilization of Persons in Canada
Second	Bill S-204, An Act to amend the Criminal Code and the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act (trafficking in human organs)	2021-04-20	2	Bill S-204, An Act to amend the Criminal Code and the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act (trafficking in human organs), without amendment

Committee Activities: Comparison Over Five Fiscal Years, 2017-22

Fiscal Year	Meetings	Meeting Hours	Fact-finding Hours	Witnesses	Reports
2021-22	7	10.4	-	22	3
2020-21	2	1	-	-	1
2019-20	10	18.5	-	25	-
2018-19	27	48.6	59.3	141	8
2017-18	24	44.6	42	109	4

Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2021-22

Budget Expenditures	-
Witness Expenses	-
TOTAL	-

Committee Membership

1st Session, 44th Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Ataullahjan (Conservative Party of Canada)

Deputy chair:

The Honourable Senator Bernard (Progressive Senate Group)

Members of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Ataullahjan, Audette, Bernard, Boyer, Gerba, Griffin, Hartling, Martin and Omidvar

Ex officio members:

The Honourable Senators Gold, P.C. (or Gagné) and Plett (or Martin)

Committee support:

Daniel Charbonneau, Clerk of the Committee

Martine Willox, Committee Assistant (until January 2022)

Marc-André Lanthier, Committee Assistant (since January 2022)

Library of Parliament:

Robert Mason, Analyst

Brendan Naef, Analyst

2nd Session, 43rd Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Ataullahjan (Conservative Party of Canada)

Deputy chairs:

The Honourable Senator Bernard (Progressive Senate Group)

The Honourable Senator Hartling (Independent Senators Group)

Members of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Ataullahjan, Bernard, Boyer, Hartling, Martin, Mégie, Ngo (retired), Pate and Tannas

Ex officio members:

The Honourable Senators Gold, P.C. (or Gagné) and Plett (or Martin)

Committee support:

François Michaud, Clerk of the Committee

Elda Donnelly, Committee Assistant

Library of Parliament:

Lara Coleman, Analyst

Jean-Philippe Duguay, Analyst

Robert Mason, Analyst

Martin McCallum, Analyst

Standing Committee on Rules, Procedures and Rights of Parliament (RPRD)

General Information

The *Rules of the Senate* authorize the Standing Committee on Rules, Procedures and Rights of Parliament to propose, on its own authority, amendments to the Rules, which govern the deliberative operations of the Senate and its committees and guide the conduct of parliamentary business. The committee may also consider, more broadly, the orders and practices of the Senate and the privileges of Parliament. In addition, this committee examines questions of privilege referred to it. Early in the Forty-fourth Parliament, the committee was organized, and it began considering elements of the Rules that should be reviewed and potentially revised. The committee held hearings on various topics, including committee mandates, the election of the Speaker pro tempore, and the use of props and exhibits. Within the fiscal year, the committee presented one report, recommending that the *Rules of the Senate* be amended to provide for the election of the Speaker pro tempore.

Reports to the Senate

1st Session, 44th Parliament

Report	Order of Reference	Date	Witnesses	Contents
First	Rule 12-7(2)(a)	2022-03-29	3	Amendments to the Rules — Speaker pro tempore

Committee Activities: Comparison Over Five Fiscal Years, 2017-22

Fiscal Year	Meetings	Meeting Hours	Fact-finding Hours	Witnesses	Reports
2021-22	7	10.0	-	3	1
2020-21	1	1.1	-	-	1
2019-20	4	3.7	-	2	1
2018-19	12	15.2	-	10	1
2017-18	16	15.5	-	1	5

Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2021-22

Budget Expenditures	-
Witness Expenses	-
TOTAL	-

Committee Membership

1st Session, 44th Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Diane Bellemare (Progressive Senate Group)

Deputy chairs:

The Honourable Senator Denise Batters (Conservative Party of Canada)

The Honourable Senator Frances Lankin, P.C. (Independent Senators Group)

Members of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Batters, Bellemare, Black, Boniface, Busson, Carignan, P.C., Clement, Cordy, Duncan, Greene, Housakos, Lankin, P.C., Massicotte, Mockler, Ringuette and Wells

Senators who participated as members during the fiscal year:

The Honourable Senators Boisvenu, Deacon (*Ontario*), Manning, Moncion and Petitclerc

Other senators present: The Honourable Senators Seidman and Tannas

Ex officio members:

The Honourable Senators Gold, P.C. (or Gagné) and Plett (or Martin)

Committee support:

Adam Thompson, Clerk of the Committee

Ginette Ricard, Committee Assistant

Library of Parliament:

Stephanie Feldman, Analyst

Erin Virgint, Analyst

2nd Session, 43rd Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Housakos (Conservative Party of Canada)

Deputy chairs:

The Honourable Senator Dalphond (Progressive Senate Group)

The Honourable Senator Duncan (Independent Senators Group)

The Honourable Senator Greene (Canadian Senators Group)

Members of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Batters, Bellemare, Black (*Ontario*), Bovey, Dalphond, Duncan, Dupuis, Frum (retired), Greene, Housakos, Lankin, P.C., Massicotte, McPhedran, Ringuette and Wells

Senators who participated as members during the fiscal year:

The Honourable Senators Omidvar and Saint-Germain

Ex officio members:

The Honourable Senators Gold, P.C. (or Gagné) and Plett (or Martin)

Committee support:

Adam Thompson, Clerk of the Committee

Ginette Ricard, Committee Assistant

Library of Parliament:

Isabelle Brideau, Analyst

Erin Virgint, Analyst

Standing Committee on National Security and Defence (SECD)

General Information

The Standing Senate Committee on National Security and Defence has the mandate to examine legislation and study issues related to national defence, security and veterans affairs. Over time, the committee recognized the following broad areas of study to form a basis for its orders of reference: the capabilities of the departments of National Defence and Public Safety Canada, working relationships for intelligence-gathering and analysis, and the security of borders and critical infrastructure.

During the First Session of the Forty-fourth Parliament, the committee began a study on issues relating to security and defence in the Arctic, including Canada's military infrastructure and security capabilities, holding two meetings on the topic.

During the Second Session of the Forty-third Parliament, the committee examined Bill C-228, An Act to establish a federal framework to reduce recidivism, for which it published one report, without amendment but with observations.

Reports to the Senate

2nd Session, 43rd Parliament

Report	Order of Reference	Date	Witnesses	Contents
Second	Bill C-228, An Act to establish a federal framework to reduce recidivism	2021-06-15	5	Bill C-228, An Act to establish a federal framework to reduce recidivism, without amendment but with observations

Committee Activities: Comparison Over Five Fiscal Years, 2017-22

Fiscal Year	Meetings	Meeting Hours	Fact-finding Hours	Witnesses	Reports
2021-22	8	12.5	-	25	1
2020-21	1	0.5	-	-	1
2019-20	17	43.6	-	101	6
2018-19	19	46.4	-	110	5

2017-18	18	44.8	-	76	7
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Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2021-22

Budget Expenditures	-
Witness Expenses	\$134
TOTAL	\$134

Committee Membership

1st Session, 44th Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Dean (Independent Senators Group)

Deputy chair:

The Honourable Senator Dagenais (Canadian Senators Group)

Members of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Anderson, Boehm, Boisvenu, Dagenais, Dasko, Deacon (*Ontario*), Dean, Jaffer, Martin, Mercer, Richards and Yussuff

Ex officio members:

The Honourable Senators Gold, P.C. (or Gagné) and Plett (or Martin)

Senators who participated as members during the fiscal year:

The Honourable Senators Klyne, Ravalia and Oh

Committee support:

Ericka Dupont, Clerk of the Committee

Natacha Umugwaneza, Committee Assistant

Library of Parliament:

Ariel Shapiro, Analyst

Anne-Marie Therrien-Tremblay, Analyst

2nd Session, 43rd Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Boniface (Independent Senators Group)

Deputy chairs:

The Honourable Senator Boisvenu (Conservative Party of Canada)

The Honourable Senator Dagenais (Canadian Senators Group)

Members of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Boisvenu, Boniface, Busson, Cotter, Dagenais, Dalphond, Jaffer, Martin, McPhedran, Moodie, Oh and Richards

Ex officio members:

The Honourable Senators Gold, P.C. (or Gagné) and Plett (or Martin)

Senators who participated as members during the fiscal year:

The Honourable Senators Simons and Pate

Committee support:

Joëlle Nadeau, Clerk of the Committee

Natacha Umugwaneza, Committee Assistant

Library of Parliament:

Ariel Shapiro, Analyst

Anne-Marie Therrien-Tremblay, Analyst

Subcommittee on Veterans Affairs (VEAC)

The Subcommittee on Veterans Affairs reports to the Standing Senate Committee on National Security and Defence. It examines matters pertaining specifically to Canadian veterans. Restrictions related to the COVID-19 pandemic considerably impacted the activities of Senate committees and subcommittees. In particular, the organization and planning of regular subcommittee meetings were modified to allow senators, witnesses and staff to participate virtually in order to protect their health and well-being. Consequently, most committees and subcommittees reduced their number of meetings significantly. As a result, the Subcommittee on Veterans Affairs was created only at the end of the fiscal year, holding one organization meeting during this time.

Committee Activities: Comparison Over Five Fiscal Years, 2017-22

Fiscal Year	Meetings	Meeting Hours	Fact-finding Hours	Witnesses	Reports
2021-22	1	0.4	-	0	0
2020-21	1	0.5	-	-	1
2019-20	17	43.6	-	101	6
2018-19	19	46.4	-	110	5
2017-18	18	44.8	-	76	7

Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2021-22

Budget Expenditures	-
Witness Expenses	-
TOTAL	-

Committee Membership

1st Session, 44th Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Richards (Canadian Senators Group)

Deputy chair:

The Honourable Senator Boisvenu (Conservative Party of Canada)

Members of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Anderson, Boisvenu, Deacon (*Ontario*), Richards and Yussuff

Ex officio members:

The Honourable Senators Gold, P.C. (or Gagné) and Plett (or Martin)

Committee support:

Ericka Dupont, Clerk of the Committee

Natacha Umugwaneza, Committee Assistant

Library of Parliament:

Jean-Rodrigue Paré, Analyst

2nd Session, 43rd Parliament

The subcommittee did not organize during this session.

Committee of Selection (SELE)

General Information

The Committee of Selection has the mandate, pursuant to the *Rules of the Senate*, to nominate, through a report to the Senate, the senators who will serve on standing committees and standing joint committees. The committee is also empowered to propose to the Senate from time-to-time changes in the membership of a committee and to make recommendations regarding senators' office allocations. At the start of the Forty-fourth Parliament, the committee also received an additional order of reference to make recommendations to the Senate on issues relating to the scheduling of committee meetings, the coordination, facilitation and enhancement of hybrid meetings and on the duration of membership on committees.

Reports to the Senate

1st Session, 44th Parliament

Report	Order of Reference	Date	Contents
Third	Recommendations on issues related to hybrid committee meetings.	2021-12-02	Committee Meeting Schedule
Second	Recommendations on the duration of committee membership.	2021-12-02	Duration and portability of committee membership
First	Nomination of senators to serve on committees.	2021-12-02	Committee membership

Committee Activities: Comparison Over Five Fiscal Years, 2017-22

Fiscal Year	Meetings	Meeting Hours	Fact-finding Hours	Witnesses	Reports
2021-22	1	1.0	-	-	3
2020-21	6	4.7	-	-	8
2019-20	1	0.1	-	-	-
2018-19	1	0.03	-	-	-
2017-18	4	1.1	-	-	2

Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2021-22

Budget Expenditures	-
Witness Expenses	-
TOTAL	-

Committee Membership

1st Session, 44th Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator MacDonald (Conservative Party of Canada)

Deputy chair:

The Honourable Senator Petitclerc (Independent Senators Group)

Members of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Bellemare, Dean, Downe, Duncan, Housakos, LaBoucane-Benson, MacDonald, Petitclerc and Saint-Germain

Ex officio members:

The Honourable Senators Gold, P.C. (or Gagné) and Plett (or Martin)

Senators who participated as members during the fiscal year:

The Honourable Senators Mercer, Omidvar and Woo

2nd Session, 43rd Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Mercer (Progressive Senate Group)

Deputy chairs:

The Honourable Senator Downe (Canadian Senators Group)

The Honourable Senator Omidvar (Independent Senators Group)

The Honourable Senator Stewart Olsen (Conservative Party of Canada) – until July 2021

Members of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Duncan, Downe, Martin, Mercer, Omidvar, Saint-Germain, Seidman, Stewart Olsen (retired) and Woo

Ex officio members:

The Honourable Senators Gold, P.C. (or Gagné) and Plett (or Martin)

Committee support:

Shaila Anwar, Clerk of the Committee

Brigitte Martineau, Committee Assistant

Standing Committee on Social Affairs, Science and Technology (SOCI)

General Information

The Standing Senate Committee on Social Affairs, Science and Technology has the mandate to examine legislation and to study issues related to cultural affairs and the arts, social and labour matters, health and welfare, pensions and housing. It is also responsible for considering fitness and amateur sport, employment and immigration, consumer affairs and youth affairs.

During the 2021-2022 fiscal year, the committee studied and reported on several bills. The committee also published an interim report, under its general order of reference, on the topic of the implementation and success of a federal framework on post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) by the Government of Canada.

Reports to the Senate

1st Session, 44th Parliament

Report	Order of Reference	Date	Witnesses	Contents
Fourth	Bill C-10, An Act respecting certain measures related to COVID-19	2022-03-03	4	Bill C-10, An Act respecting certain measures related to COVID-19, without amendment but with observations
Third	Bill C-12, An Act to amend the Old Age Security Act (Guaranteed Income Supplement)	2022-03-01	14	Bill C-12, An Act to amend the Old Age Security Act (Guaranteed Income Supplement), without amendment
Second	The subject matter of Bill C-3, An Act to amend the Criminal Code and the Canada Labour Code	2021-12-15	13	The subject matter of Bill C-3, An Act to amend the Criminal Code and the Canada Labour Code

First	Rule 12-26	2021-12-08	-	Expenses incurred by the committee during the Second Session of the Forty-third Parliament
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Report	Order of Reference	Date	Witnesses	Contents
Tenth	Bill S-230, An Act to amend the Citizenship Act (granting citizenship to certain Canadians)	2021-06-17	4	Bill S-230, An Act to amend the Citizenship Act (granting citizenship to certain Canadians), without amendment
Ninth	Bill C-237, An Act to establish a national framework for diabetes	2021-06-15	2	Bill C-237, An Act to establish a national framework for diabetes, without amendment
Eighth	Bill S-211, An Act to establish International Mother Language Day	2021-06-15	3	Bill S-211, An Act to establish International Mother Language Day, without amendment
Seventh	Bill C-220, An Act to amend the Canada Labour Code (bereavement leave)	2021-06-15	4	Bill C-220, An Act to amend the Canada Labour Code (bereavement leave), without amendment
Sixth	Study matters relating to social affairs, science and technology generally, as described in rule 12-7(9)	2021-06-15	4	The implementation and success of a federal framework on post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) by the Government of Canada

	Topic: The implementation and success of a federal framework on post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) by the Government of Canada			
Fifth	The subject matter of those elements contained in Divisions 21, 22, 23, 24, 28, 29, 32, 33, 34, 35, and 36 of Part 4 of Bill C-30, An Act to implement certain provisions of the budget tabled in Parliament on April 19, 2021 and other measures	2021-06-07	51	The subject matter of those elements contained in Divisions 21, 22, 23, 24, 28, 29, 32, 33, 34, 35, and 36 of Part 4 of Bill C-30, An Act to implement certain provisions of the budget tabled in Parliament on April 19, 2021 and other measures
Fourth	Bill C-210, An Act to amend the Canada Revenue Agency Act (organ and tissue donors)	2021-06-03	1	Bill C-210, An Act to amend the Canada Revenue Agency Act (organ and tissue donors), without amendment
Third	Bill S-223, An Act respecting Kindness Week	2021-04-20	1	Bill S-223, An Act respecting Kindness Week, without amendment but with observations
Second	Bill S-205, An Act to amend the Parliament of Canada Act	2021-04-20	1	Bill S-205, An Act to amend the Parliament of Canada Act (Parliamentary Visual

	(Parliamentary Visual Artist Laureate)			Artist Laureate), without amendment but with observations
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Committee Activities: Comparison Over Five Fiscal Years, 2017-22

Fiscal Year	Meetings	Meeting Hours	Fact-finding Hours	Witnesses	Reports
2021-22	21	43.4	-	128	13
2020-21	9	32	-	48	2
2019-20	18	35.5	-	101	6
2018-19	40	80.3	-	201	8
2017-18	47	71.6	4	193	13

Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2021-22

Budget Expenditures	-
Witness Expenses	\$784
TOTAL	\$784

Committee Membership

1st Session, 44th Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Omidvar (Independent Senators Group)

Deputy chair:

The Honourable Senator Bovey (Progressive Senate Group)

Members of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Bernard, Bovey, Dasko, Kutcher, Lankin, P.C., McPhedran, Moodie, Omidvar, Patterson, Petitclerc, Poirier and Verner, P.C.

Ex officio members:

The Honourable Senators Gold, P.C. (or Gagné) and Plett (or Martin)

Senators who participated as members during the fiscal year:

The Honourable Senators Ataullahjan, Boisvenu, Griffin, Harder, P.C., McCallum, Mégie, Plett, Quinn and Wells

Committee support:

Daniel Charbonneau, Clerk of the Committee

Marc-André Lanthier, Committee Assistant

Library of Parliament:

Laura Blackmore, Analyst

Laura Munn-Rivard, Analyst

2nd Session, 43rd Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Petitclerc (Independent Senators Group)

Deputy chairs:

The Honourable Senator Bovey (Progressive Senate Group)

The Honourable Senator Poirier (Conservative Party of Canada)

Members of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Black (*Ontario*), Bovey, Dasko, Forest-Niesing, Frum (retired), Kutcher, Manning, Mégie, Moodie, Omidvar, Plett and Petitclerc

Ex officio members:

The Honourable Senators Gold, P.C. (or Gagné) and Plett (or Martin)

Senators who participated as members during the fiscal year:

The Honourable Senators Smith and Stewart Olsen (retired)

Committee support:

Daniel Charbonneau, Clerk of the Committee

Lori Meldrum, Committee Assistant

Library of Parliament:

Laura Munn-Rivard, Analyst

Laura Blackmore, Analyst

Standing Committee on Transport and Communication (TRCM)

General Information

The Standing Senate Committee on Transport and Communications has the mandate to examine legislation and study issues related to transport and communications by land, air, water and space, whether by radio, telephone, telegraph, wire, cable, microwave, wireless, television, satellite, broadcasting, postal communications or any other form, method or means of communications or transport. The committee is also responsible for studying issues relating to tourist traffic, common carriers, navigation, shipping and navigable waters.

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Report	Order of Reference	Date	Witnesses	Contents
First	Rule 12-26	2021-12-16	-	Expenses incurred during the previous session

Committee Activities: Comparison Over Five Fiscal Years, 2017-22

Fiscal Year	Meetings	Meeting Hours	Fact-finding Hours	Witnesses	Reports
2021-22	9	13.4	-	25	1
2020-21	1	0.3	-	-	1
2019-20	20	44.4	-	139	3
2018-19	33	50.3	-	104	5
2017-18	41	61	12.3	140	4

Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2021-22

Budget Expenditures	-
Witness Expenses	\$88
TOTAL	\$88

Committee Membership

1st Session, 44th Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Housakos (Conservative Party of Canada)

Deputy chair:

The Honourable Senator Miville-Dechéne (Independent Senators Group)

Members of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Clement, Cormier, Dasko, Dawson, Housakos, Klyne, Manning, Miville-Dechéne, Quinn, Simons, Sorensen and Wallin

Senators who participated as members during the fiscal year:

The Honourable Senators Clement, Coyle, Galvez, Harder, P.C., Moncion, and Omidvar

Ex officio members:

The Honourable Senators Gold, P.C. (or Gagné) and Plett (or Martin)

Committee support:

Vincent Labrosse, Clerk of the Committee
Brigitte Martineau, Committee Assistant

Library of Parliament:

Jed Chong, Analyst
Khamla Heminthavong, Analyst

2nd Session, 43rd Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator MacDonald (Conservative Party of Canada)

Deputy chairs:

The Honourable Senator Dawson (Progressive Senate Group)
The Honourable Senator Miville-Dechéne (Independent Senators Group)
The Honourable Senator Wallin (Canadian Senators Group)

Members of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Boisvenu, Cormier, Dasko, Dawson, Griffin, MacDonald, Manning, Miville-Dechéne, Simons, Wallin and Woo

Senators who participated as members during the fiscal year:

The Honourable Senator White and Forest-Niesing

Ex officio members:

The Honourable Senators Gold, P.C. (or Gagné) and Plett (or Martin)

Committee support:

Ericka Dupont, Clerk of the Committee
Debbie Larocque, Committee Assistant

Library of Parliament:

Jed Chong, Analyst
Khamla Heminthavong, Analyst

Special Joint Committee on Medical Assistance in Dying (AMAD)

General Information

In April 2021, motions were adopted in the House of Commons and Senate establishing the Special Joint Committee on Medical Assistance in Dying (AMAD). Three meetings were held before the dissolution of Parliament in August 2021. Its mandate was the statutory review of the provisions of the Criminal Code relating to Medical Assistance in Dying and their application.

In March 2022, the Special Joint Committee on Medical Assistance in Dying (AMAD) was established again by motions adopted in the House of Commons and the Senate. Its mandate was to review of the provisions of the Criminal Code relating to medical assistance in dying and their application, including, but not limited to, issues relating to mature minors, advance requests, mental illness, the state of palliative care in Canada and the protection of Canadians with disabilities.

Committee Activities: Comparison Over Five Fiscal Years, 2017-22

Fiscal Year	Meetings	Meeting Hours	Fact-finding Hours	Witnesses	Reports
2021-22	3	4.0	-	6	-

Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2021-22

Budget Expenditures	-
Witness Expenses	-
TOTAL	-

Committee Membership

1st Session, 44th Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Martin (Conservative Party of Canada)

Deputy chair:

The Honourable Senator Mégie (Independent Senators Group)

Members of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Dalphond, Kutcher, Martin, Mégie and Wallin

Committee support:

Andrea Mugny, Clerk of the Committee
Lori Meldrum, Committee Assistant

Library of Parliament:

Julia Nicol, Analyst
Marlisa Tiedemann, Analyst

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Joint Chairs:

The Honourable Senator Yonah Martin (Conservative Party of Canada)

Vice-chairs:

The Honourable Senator Mégie (Independent Senators Group)

Members of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Dalphond, Kutcher, Martin and Wallin

Committee support:

Mireille Aubé, Clerk of the Committee
Tracy Amendola, Committee Assistant

Library of Parliament:

Julia Nicol, Analyst
Marlisa Tiedemann, Analyst

Standing Joint Committee for the Scrutiny of Regulations (REGS)

General Information

The mandate of the Standing Joint Committee for the Scrutiny of Regulations is defined by the *Statutory Instruments Act*, which authorizes it to review and scrutinize certain statutory instruments made after December 31, 1971. In addition to its statutory order of reference, the Senate and the House of Commons have, since 1980, renewed an order of reference at the beginning of each session authorizing the joint committee to study the means by which Parliament can better oversee and control the government regulatory process. Taken together, the statutory and sessional references of the committee provide it with broad jurisdiction to inquire into and report on most aspects of the federal regulatory process.

Committee Activities: Comparison Over Five Fiscal Years, 2017-22

Fiscal Year	Meetings	Meeting Hours	Fact-finding Hours	Witnesses	Reports
2021-22	1	1.1	-	0	0
2020-21	1	0.5	-	-	1
2019-20	6	7.6	-	12	-
2018-19	14	18.9	-	20	1
2017-18	17	22.9	-	11	-

Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2021-22

Budget Expenditures	-
Witness Expenses	-
TOTAL	-

Committee Membership

1st Session, 44th Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Yuen Pau Woo (Independent Senators Group)

Members of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Dalphond, Dean, Greene, Plett

Committee support:

Ferda Simpson, Clerk of the Committee
Elda Donnelly, Committee Assistant

Library of Parliament:

Tanya Dupuis, General Counsel
Shawn Abel, Counsel
Geoffrey Hilton, Counsel
Geneviève Levesque, Counsel
Geneviève Pilon, Counsel

2nd Session, 43rd Parliament

Chair:

The Honourable Yuen Pau Woo (Independent Senators Group)

Members of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Boyer, Martin, Seidman, White

Committee support:

François Michaud, Clerk of the Committee
Elda Donnelly, Committee Assistant

Library of Parliament:

Tanya Dupuis, General Counsel
Shawn Abel, Counsel
Geneviève Levesque, Counsel
Geneviève Pilon, Counsel
Geoffrey Hilton, Counsel

Part 3: Committee Expenditures

Senate committees may apply for a budget to, for example, travel or engage the services of consultants. Budgets must be approved by the Senate (column A). In addition, certain expenditures are charged to a centralized budget managed by the Committees Directorate. These expenditures include witness travel expenses and videoconferencing fees (column B) and charges pertaining to general postage, coffee/tea/juice and light snacks at committee meetings in Ottawa, and immunization fees for certain committee trips (column C). Restrictions and closures related to the COVID-19 pandemic considerably impacted the activities of Senate committees including the number of meetings, witnesses and public hearings/fact-finding missions.

Meeting and Expenditures, 2017-18 to 2021-22

		A	B	C	A+B+C
Fiscal Year	Meetings	Total Senate Committees	Witness Expenses	Other Expenses	Total Expenditures
2021-22	217	-	\$2,648	-	\$2,648
2020-21	165	\$3,403	\$420	-	\$3,822
2019-20	287	\$548,129	\$255,733	\$57,281	\$861,143
2018-19	570	\$669,951	\$450,843	\$111,349	\$1,232,143
2017-18	608	\$836,424	\$384,081	\$101,655	\$1,322,160

Explanation of Standard Categories

The following table provides each committee's budget and actual expenditures, divided between expenses that are either unrelated to committee travel (listed as general expenses) or specific to a committee trip (usually listed as an activity). Expenditures are further broken down into the following three categories:

1. Professional and Other Services (including research assistance, expert advisors, reporting and transcribing services and hospitality);
2. Transportation, Accommodation and Living Expenses (including air and ground transportation, hotels, per diems and working meals outside of Ottawa);
3. All Other Expenditures (including courier charges, rental of meeting rooms, reporting and interpretation equipment and printing).

Committee Budgets and Expenditures Report, 2021-22

Fiscal Year 2021-22

	Budget		Expenditures			
Name of Committee	Total Budget	Budget	Professional and Other Services	Transport, Accommodation and Living Expenses	All Other Expenditures	Total Expenditures
AOVS: Audit and Oversight	\$482,200	\$482,200				
Budget expenditures			\$60,000			\$60,000
External members expenditures			\$48,123			\$48,123
Total	\$482,200	\$482,200	\$108,123			\$108,123

Note: Totals may not add up due to rounding.

Witness and Videoconference Expense Breakdown, 2021-22

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	TOTAL	AMOUNT
Agriculture and Forestry	157	
<i>Legislation</i>		157
Banking, Trade and Commerce	20	
<i>General</i>		20
Energy, the Environment and Natural Resources	45	
<i>General</i>		45
Fisheries and Oceans	83	
<i>Indigenous Rights-Based Fisheries</i>		83
Foreign Affairs and International Trade	89	
<i>General</i>		89
Legal and Constitutional Affairs	75	
<i>Legislation</i>		75
National Security and Defence	134	
<i>Arctic Security</i>		134
Official Languages	50	
<i>Francophone Immigration to Minority Communities</i>		50
Social Affairs, Science and Technology	433	
<i>Legislation</i>		433
TOTAL 44-1	1,087	1,087

Please note that the total may not add up due to rounding

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	TOTAL	AMOUNT
Aboriginal Peoples	153	
<i>Legislation</i>		153
Banking, Trade and Commerce	87	
<i>Legislation</i>		87
Energy, the Environment and Natural Resources	281	
<i>Legislation</i>		281
Fisheries and Oceans	56	
<i>General</i>		56
Foreign Affairs and International Trade	148	
<i>General</i>		148
Legal and Constitutional Affairs	305	
<i>Legislation</i>		305
National Finance	90	
<i>Legislation</i>		90
Social Affairs, Science and Technology	351	
<i>Legislation</i>		351
Transport and Communications	88	
<i>Legislation</i>		88
TOTAL 43-2	1,560	1,560

Please note that the total may not add up due to rounding