



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Wednesday, June 16, 2021

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[English]

Pursuant to the order of the Senate of March 30, 2021, the Standing Senate Committee on Social Affairs, Science and Technology met this day by videoconference at 4 p.m. [ET], the chair, the Honourable Chantal Petitclerc, presiding. This meeting is considered to have taken place in the parliamentary precinct.

Members of the committee present by videoconference: The Honourable Senators Ataullahjan, Black (Ontario), Bovey, Dasko, Forest-Niesing, Frum, Kutcher, Manning, Martin, Mégie, Moodie and Petitclerc (12).

Participating in the meeting: Andrea Mugny, Procedural Clerk, Lori Meldrum and Elda Donnelly, Administrative Assistants, Committees Directorate; Laura Blackmore and Laura Munn-Rivard, Analysts, Parliamentary Information and Research Services, Library of Parliament; Ben Silverman, Communications Officer, Communications Directorate.

Also present: The official reporters of the Senate.

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Senate on Tuesday, June 1, 2021, the committee began its examination of Bill S-230, An Act to amend the Citizenship Act (granting citizenship to certain Canadians).

WITNESSES (by videoconference):

The Honourable Senator Yonah Martin, sponsor of the bill.

Lost Canadians:

Don Chapman, Head.

Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada:

Catherine Scott, Associate Assistant Deputy Minister, Strategic and Program Policy;

Alec Attfield, Director General, Citizenship Branch, Strategic and Program Policy.

The chair made a statement.

The Honourable Senator Martin and Mr. Chapman made statements and answered questions.

At 4:44 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 5:12 p.m., the committee resumed.

Mr. Chapman answered questions.

Ms. Scott made a statement and, with Mr. Attfield, answered questions.

It was agreed that the committee proceed to clause-by-clause consideration of Bill S-230.

It was agreed that the title stand postponed.

It was agreed that clause 1 carry.

It was agreed that clause 2 carry.

It was agreed that the title carry.

It was agreed that the bill carry.

It was agreed that the chair report Bill S-230 to the Senate.

At 5:57 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

ATTEST:

Daniel Charbonneau

Clerk of the Committee