

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Wednesday, April 6, 2022 (9)

[English]

Pursuant to the order of the Senate of March 31, 2022, the Standing Senate Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs met in camera this day in room C128, Senate of Canada Building, and with videoconference, at 4:16 p.m. ET, the chair, the Honourable Mobina S. B. Jaffer, presiding.

Members of the committee present: The Honourable Senators Boisvenu, Dalphond, Harder, P.C., Jaffer and Pate (5).

Members of the committee present by videoconference: The Honourable Senators Campbell, Carignan, P.C., Clement, Cotter, Dupuis, Wetston and White (7).

Other senators present: The Honourable Senator Miville-Dechêne (1).

Participating in the meeting: Ferda Simpson, Procedural Clerk and Laurie-Anne Spooner, Administrative Assistant, Committees Directorate; Julian Walker and Michaela Keenan-Pelletier, analysts, Library of Parliament.

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Senate on Wednesday, December 8, 2021, the committee continued its consideration of Bill S-210, An Act to restrict young persons' online access to sexually explicit material.

WITNESSES (by videoconference):

Canadian Bar Association:

Kevin Westell, Member, Criminal Justice.

Google Canada:

Colin McKay, Head, Public Policy and Government Relations.

As an individual:

Pierre Trudel, Professor at the Centre for Research in Public Law, Faculty of Law, University of Montréal.

Kevin Westell, Colin McKay and Pierre Trudel each made a statement and answered questions.

At 5:34 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 5:36 p.m., pursuant to rule 12-16(1)(d), the committee resumed in camera to consider a draft agenda (future business).

At 6:21 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

ATTEST:

Mark Palmer

Clerk of the Committee