

## **MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

OTTAWA, Thursday, November 7, 2024 (124)

[English]

The Standing Senate Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs met this day at 11:35 a.m., in room B30, Senate of Canada Building, the chair, the Honourable Brent Cotter, presiding.

*Members of the committee present:* The Honourable Senators Arnot, Aucoin, Batters, Carignan, P.C., Clement, Cotter, Oudar, Pate and Simons (9).

Other senators present: The Honourable Senator Senior (1).

Participating in the meeting: Michaela Keenan-Pelletier and Emilie Doyon, analysts, Library of Parliament.

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Senate on Thursday, October 10, 2024, the committee continued its consideration of Bill C-40, An Act to amend the Criminal Code, to make consequential amendments to other Acts and to repeal a regulation (miscarriage of justice reviews).

## WITNESSES:

Canadian Crime Victim Foundation:

Lozanne Wamback, Director, Co-Founder (by videoconference).

Canadian Resource Centre for Victims of Crime:

Sarah Crawford, Executive Director.

Indigenous Bar Association:

Rheana Worme, Board Member (by videoconference).

Office of the Federal Ombudsperson for Victims of Crime:

Benjamin Roebuck, Federal Ombudsperson for Victims of Crime.

Canadian Police Association:

Tom Stamatakis, President (by videoconference).

Lozanne Wamback, Sarah Crawford and Rheana Worme each made a statement and answered questions.

At 12:37 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 12:42 p.m., the committee resumed.

Benjamin Roebuck and Tom Stamatakis each made a statement and answered questions.

At 1:37 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

ATTEST:

Vincent Labrosse

Clerk of the Committee