

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Wednesday, May 18, 2022 (13)

[English]

Pursuant to the order of the Senate of May 5, 2022, the Standing Senate Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs met this day in room C128, Senate of Canada Building, and with videoconference, at 12:02 p.m. ET, the chair, the Honourable Mobina S. B. Jaffer, presiding.

Members of the committee present: The Honourable Senators Batters, Campbell, Clement, Cotter, Jaffer, Klyne and Pate (7).

Members of the committee present by videoconference: The Honourable Senators Dalphond, Dupuis, Wetston and White (4).

Other senators present by videoconference: The Honourable Senator Moncion (1).

Participating in the meeting: 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, May 4, 2022, the committee began its examination on the subject matter of those elements contained in Divisions 1, 21 and 22 of Part 5 of Bill C-19, An Act to implement certain provisions of the budget tabled in Parliament on April 7, 2022 and other measures.

WITNESSES (by videoconference):

B'nai Brith Canada:

Sam Goldstein, Director, Legal Affairs.

Centre for Israel and Jewish Affairs:

Shimon Fogel, Chief Executive Officer.

Canadian Anti-Hate Network:

Bernie Farber, Chair.

Canadian Civil Liberties Association:

Cara Zwibel, Director, Fundamental Freedoms Program.

Canadian Constitution Foundation:

Joanna Baron, Executive Director.

Justice Centre for Constitutional Freedoms:

John Carpay, President.

Sam Goldstein, Shimon Fogel and Bernie Farber each made a statement and answered questions.

At 1:11 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 1:13 p.m., the committee resumed.

Cara Zwibel, Joanna Baron and John Carpay each made a statement and answered questions.

At 1:59 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

ATTEST:

Mark Palmer

Clerk of the Committee