

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Wednesday, November 16, 2022 (30)

[English]

The Standing Senate Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs met this day at 4:17 p.m., in room W120, 1 Wellington St., the chair, the Honourable Mobina S. B. Jaffer, presiding.

Members of the committee present: The Honourable Senators Batters, Clement, Cotter, Dalphond, Dupuis, Jaffer, Manning, Pate and Tannas (9).

Participating in the meeting: Annie Trudel, 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 Tuesday, April 26, 2022, the committee continued its consideration of Bill S-205, An Act to amend the Criminal Code and to make consequential amendments to another Act (interim release and domestic violence recognizance orders).

WITNESSES:

Indigenous Bar Association:

Alain Bartleman, Member of the Board (by videoconference).

Criminal Lawyers Association:

Daniel Brown, President of the CLA and Lead Counsel at Daniel Brown Law (by videoconference);

Stephanie DiGiuseppe, Women's Director — Toronto for the CLA and Partner at Ruby Shiller (by videoconference).

Women's Legal Education and Action Fund:

Rosel Kim, Staff Lawyer (by videoconference).

Native Women's Association of Canada:

Sarah Niman, Legal Counsel, Assistant Manager Legal Services.

Ma Mawi Wi Chi Itata Centre:

Diane Redsky, Executive Director (by videoconference).

Central Alberta Outreach Society:

Ian Wheeliker, Executive Director (by videoconference).

Alain Bartleman, Daniel Brown and Rosel Kim each made a statement and, together with Stephanie DiGiuseppe, answered questions.

At 5:16 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 5:20 p.m., the committee resumed.

Sarah Niman, Diane Redsky and Ian Wheeliker each made a statement and answered questions.

At 6:17 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

ATTEST:

Mark Palmer

Clerk of the Committee