

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Tuesday, December 13, 2022 (39)

[English]

The Standing Senate Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs met this day at 3:03 p.m., in room C128, Senate of Canada Building, the chair, the Honourable Mobina S. B. Jaffer, presiding.

Members of the committee present: The Honourable Senators Batters, Boisvenu, Boniface, Clement, Cotter, Dalphond, Dupuis, Harder, P.C., Jaffer and Pate (10).

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 Thursday, December 8, 2022, the committee continued its consideration of Bill S-11, A fourth Act to harmonize federal law with the civil law of Quebec and to amend certain Acts in order to ensure that each language version takes into account the common law and the civil law.

WITNESSES:

Department of Justice Canada:

Riri Shen, Deputy Assistant Deputy Minister, Public Law and Legislative Services Sector;

France Allard, Senior General Counsel, Legislative Services Branch.

It was agreed that the committee proceed to clause-by-clause consideration of Bill S-11.

With leave and pursuant to rule 12-20(4), it was agreed that the committee group clauses in groups of 50.

It was agreed that the title stand postponed.

It was agreed that the preamble stand postponed.

It was agreed that clause 1, which contains the short title, stand postponed.

It was agreed that clauses 2 to 50 carry, on division.

It was agreed that clauses 51 to 100 carry, on division.

It was agreed that clauses 101 to 150 carry, on division.

It was agreed that clauses 151 to 200 carry, on division.

It was agreed that clauses-201 to 250 carry, on division.

It was agreed that clauses 251 to 300 carry, on division.

It was agreed that clauses 301 to 350 carry, on division.

It was agreed that clauses 351 to 400 carry, on division.

It was agreed that clauses 401 to 450 carry, on division.

It was agreed that clauses 451 to 500 carry, on division.

It was agreed that clauses 501 to 550 carry, on division.

It was agreed that clauses 551 to 600 carry, on division.

It was agreed that clauses 601 to 642 carry, on division.

It was agreed that clause 1, which contains the short title, carry.

It was agreed that the preamble carry.

It was agreed that the title carry.

It was agreed that the bill carry, on division.

It was agreed that the chair report Bill S-11, without amendment to the Senate, at the earliest opportunity.

The Honourable Senator Dalphond moved that the Honourable Senator Cotter take the chair of the committee, as of January 1, 2023.

The question being put on the motion, it was adopted.

At 3:18 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

ATTEST:

Mark Palmer

Clerk of the Committee