



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Wednesday, February 1, 2023
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[English]

The Standing Senate Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs met this day at 5:30 p.m., in room W120, 1 Wellington St., the chair, the Honourable Brent Cotter, presiding.

Members of the committee present: The Honourable Senators Arnot, Batters, Boisvenu, Clement, Cotter, Dalphond, Jaffer, Klyne, Pate and Tannas (10).

Participating in the meeting: Aoife Mc Donald, 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 June 23, 2022, the committee continued its study of the matter of self-induced intoxication, including self-induced extreme intoxication, in the context of criminal law, including in relation to section 33.1 of the Criminal Code.

WITNESSES (by videoconference):

As individuals:

Elizabeth Sheehy, Professor Emerita of Law, University of Ottawa;

Isabel Grant, Professor, University of British Columbia;

Kerri Froc, Associate Professor, University of New Brunswick, National Association of Women and the Law;

Kent Roach, Professor, Faculty of Law, University of Toronto;

Dr. Gilles Chamberland, Psychiatrist, Philippe-Pinel National Institute of Forensic Psychiatry.

Elizabeth Sheehy, Isabel Grant and Kerri Froc each made a statement and answered questions.

At 6:30 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 6:36 p.m., the committee resumed.

Kent Roach and Gilles Chamberland each made a statement and answered questions.

At 7:27 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

ATTEST:

Mark Palmer

Clerk of the Committee