



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Wednesday, December 4, 2024
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[English]

The Standing Senate Committee on Social Affairs, Science and Technology met this day at 4:15 p.m., in room B45, Senate of Canada Building, the chair, the Honourable Rosemary Moodie, presiding.

Members of the committee present: The Honourable Senators Arnot, Bernard, Brazeau, Cormier, Dagenais, Kutcher, Mégie, Moodie, Muggli, Osler, Petitclerc and Seidman (12).

Other senators present: The Honourable Senators Cuzner, Harder, P.C., Senior and Youance (4).

Participating in the meeting: Laura Blackmore and Martin McCallum, analysts, Library of Parliament.

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Senate on Thursday, November 28, 2024, the committee began its consideration of the subject matter of Bill C-71, An Act to amend the Citizenship Act (2024).

WITNESSES:

As individuals:

Don Chapman, Founder and Head, Lost Canadians;

J. Randall Emery, Immigration Consultant;

Kathryn Burton;

Carol Sutherland-Brown;

Amandeep S. Hayer, Lawyer, Hayer Law; Vice-Chair, Overseas Lawyer Group, Immigration Law Section, Canadian Bar Association — British Columbia;

Andrew Griffith.

Don Chapman, J. Randall Emery, Kathryn Burton and Carol Sutherland-Brown each made a statement and answered questions.

At 5:15 p.m., the committee suspended.

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

Amandeep S. Hayer and Andrew Griffith each made a statement and answered questions.

At 6:07 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

ATTEST:

Emily Barrette

Clerk of the Committee