



## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Thursday, May 19, 2022  
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[English]

Pursuant to the order of the Senate of May 5, 2022, the Standing Senate Committee on Social Affairs, Science and Technology met this day in room B45, Senate of Canada Building, and with videoconference, at 3:01 p.m. ET, the chair, the Honourable Ratna Omidvar, presiding.

*Members of the committee present:* The Honourable Senators Bovey, Cordy, Dasko, Kutcher, Mégie, Omidvar, Patterson, Verner, P.C., and Yussuff (9).

*Members of the committee present by videoconference:* The Honourable Senators McPhedran, Moodie and Poirier (3).

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

*Participating in the meeting:* Sara Gajic, Legislative Clerk and Marc-André Lanthier, Administrative Assistant, Committees Directorate; Laura Blackmore, Analyst, Library of Parliament.

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Senate on Wednesday, May 4, 2022, the committee began its examination of the subject matter of those elements contained in Divisions 23, 24, 26, 27, 29 and 32 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. (Topic: Division 23)

*WITNESSES (by videoconference):*

*Canadian Immigration Lawyers Association:*

Richard Kurland, Lawyer and Policy Analyst.

*Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada:*

Philip Somogyvari, Director General, Strategic Policy and Planning;

Julie Chassé, Director General, Financial Strategy Branch;

Marcel Poirier, Director, Financial Community, Passport Costing/Client Relations and Fees Division;

Jonathan Joshi-Koop, Acting Director, Express Entry Policy.

Richard Kurland made a statement and answered questions.

Philip Somogyvari made a statement and, together with Julie Chassé and Jonathan Joshi-Koop, answered questions.

At 4:47 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

*ATTEST:*

Daniel Charbonneau

*Clerk of the Committee*