



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Thursday, June 1, 2023

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[English]

The Standing Senate Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs met this day at 11:32 a.m., in room W110, 1 Wellington St., the chair, the Honourable Brent Cotter, presiding.

Members of the committee present: The Honourable Senators Batters, Boisvenu, Clement, Cotter, Dupuis, Klyne, Pate and Patterson (*Nunavut*) (8).

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 Thursday, November 3, 2022, the committee continued its consideration of Bill S-212, An Act to amend the Criminal Records Act, to make consequential amendments to other Acts and to repeal a regulation.

WITNESSES (by videoconference):

Fresh Start Coalition:

Tareq Bawwab, Member, Community Expertise Committee.

Black Legal Action Centre:

Khaldah Salih, Community Legal Worker.

London Abused Women's Centre:

Jennifer Dunn, Executive Director.

Vancouver Rape Relief and Women's Shelter:

Laurel McBride, Collective Member.

As an individual:

Rachel Fayter, PhD Candidate.

Rachel Fayter, Tareq Bawwab and Khaldah Salih each made a statement and answered questions.

At 12:32 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 12:36 p.m., the committee resumed.

Jennifer Dunn and Laurel McBride each made a statement and answered questions.

At 1:26 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

ATTEST:

Mark Palmer

Clerk of the Committee