



## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Monday, June 12, 2023

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[English]

The Standing Senate Committee on National Security, Defence and Veterans Affairs met this day at 4 p.m., in room C128, Senate of Canada Building, the chair, the Honourable Tony Dean, presiding.

*Members of the committee present:* The Honourable Senators Anderson, Boehm, Boisvenu, Cardozo, Dagenais, Dasko, Deacon (*Ontario*), Dean, Oh, Richards, Wells and Yussuff (12).

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

*Participating in the meeting:* Catlin Seibel-Kamél, Legislative Clerk, Chamber Operations and Procedure Office; Ariel Shapiro and Anne-Marie Therrien-Tremblay, analysts, Library of Parliament.

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Senate on Thursday, June 1, 2023, the committee began its consideration of Bill C-224, An Act to establish a national framework for the prevention and treatment of cancers linked to firefighting.

### WITNESSES:

Sherry Romanado, Member of Parliament for Longueuil-Charles-LeMoyne, Sponsor of the Bill.

### *Canadian Association of Fire Chiefs:*

Ken McMullen, President.

### *International Association of Firefighters:*

Neil McMillan, Director, Science and Research.

### *Health Canada:*

Matthew Jones, Assistant Deputy Minister, Healthy Environments and Consumer Safety Branch;

Miranda MacPherson, Director, Office of Environmental Health, Healthy Environments and Consumer Safety Branch.

Sherry Romanado made a statement

At 4:09 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 4:10 p.m., the committee resumed.

Sherry Romanado answered questions.

At 5 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 5:06 p.m., the committee resumed.

Ken McMullen and Neil McMillan each made a statement and answered questions.

At 6:06 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 6:12 p.m., the committee resumed.

Matthew Jones made a statement and together with Miranda MacPherson, answered questions.

At 6:46 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 6:55 p.m., the committee resumed.

It was agreed that the committee proceed to clause-by-clause consideration of Bill C-224.

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 clause 2 carry.

It was agreed that clause 3 carry.

It was agreed that clause 4 carry.

It was agreed that clause 5 carry.

It was agreed that clause 6 carry.

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

It was agreed that the preamble carry.

It was agreed that the bill carry.

It was agreed that the chair report Bill C-224, without amendment, to the Senate.

At 7:06 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

*ATTEST:*

Ericka Dupont

*Clerk of the Committee*