



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Wednesday, April 15, 2026

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[English]

The Standing Senate Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs met this day at 4:15 p.m., in room B30, Senate of Canada Building, the chair, the Honourable David M. Arnot, presiding.

Members of the committee present: The Honourable Senators Arnot, Batters, Clement, Dhillon, Miville-Dechêne, Oudar, Pate, Prosper, Saint-Germain, Simons, Tannas and Wells (*Alberta*) (12).

Other senators present: The Honourable Senator Dalphond (1).

Participating in the meeting: Dana Phillips and Michaela Keenan-Pelletier, Analysts, Library of Parliament.

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Senate on Thursday, March 12, 2026, the committee continued its consideration of Bill C-14, An Act to amend the Criminal Code, the Youth Criminal Justice Act and the National Defence Act (bail and sentencing).

WITNESSES:

As individuals:

Danardo S. Jones, Associate Professor of Law, Faculty of Law, University of Windsor;

Debra Parkes, Professor and Chair in Feminist Legal Studies, Peter A. Allard School of Law, University of British Columbia (*by videoconference*);

Justin Piché, Full Professor, Department of Criminology, University of Ottawa;

Nicole Myers, Criminologist and Associate Professor, Queen's University;

Anthony Doob, Professor Emeritus of Criminology, Centre for Criminology and Sociolegal Studies, University of Toronto (*by videoconference*);

Chloé Leclerc, Full professor, School of Criminology, Université de Montréal (*by videoconference*).

Debra Parkes, Danardo S. Jones and Justin Piché each made a statement and answered questions.

At 5:26 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 5:30 p.m., the committee resumed.

Nicole Myers, Anthony Doob and Chloé Leclerc each made a statement and answered questions.

At 6:25 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

ATTEST:

Vincent Labrosse

Clerk of the Committee