



## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Wednesday, February 4, 2026  
(29)

[English]

The Standing Senate Committee on National Finance met this day at 6:47 p.m., in room W110, 1 Wellington St., the deputy chair, the Honourable Éric Forest, presiding.

*Members of the committee present:* The Honourable Senators Cardozo, Dalphond, Forest, Galvez, Hébert, Kingston, MacAdam, Marshall and Ross (9).

*Participating in the meeting:* Michaël Lambert-Racine and André Léonard, Analysts, Library of Parliament.

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Senate on Wednesday, November 26, 2025, the committee continued its consideration of the subject matter of all of Bill C-15, An Act to implement certain provisions of the budget tabled in Parliament on November 4, 2025.

### WITNESSES:

#### *Transport Canada:*

Vincent Robitaille, Associate Assistant Deputy Minister, Programs;

Miguel Izquierdo Martin, Director General, Commercial, Program Oversight and Governance, High-Speed Rail, Major Projects;

Chantale Côté, Director General, Policies, Integration and Governance, High-Speed Rail;

Lara Raoub, Director, Land Acquisition and Agreements, High-Speed Rail.

#### *Competition Bureau Canada:*

Matthew Chiasson, Senior Policy Advisor, Competition Promotion Branch;

Bradley Callaghan, Associate Deputy Commissioner, Competition Promotion Branch;

Lawrence Zuker, Manager, Cartels and Deceptive Marketing Branch.

Vincent Robitaille made a statement and answered questions.

At 7:47 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 7:53 p.m., the committee resumed.

Matthew Chiasson made a statement and, together with Lawrence Zuker and Bradley Callaghan, answered questions.

At 8:20 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

*ATTEST:*

Sara Gajic

*Clerk of the Committee*