



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Wednesday, October 7, 2026
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[English]

The Standing Senate Committee on National Finance met this day at 6:53 p.m., in room W110, 1 Wellington St., the chair, the Honourable Claude Carignan, P.C., presiding.

Members of the committee present: The Honourable Senators Cardozo, Carignan, P.C., Gignac, Hébert, Kingston, MacAdam and Ross (7).

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

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, June 10, 2026, the committee continued its examination of the subject matter of all of Bill C-31, A second Act to implement certain provisions of the budget tabled in Parliament on November 4, 2025.

WITNESSES:

Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters:

Alan Arcand, Chief Economist.

Office of the Procurement Ombud:

Alexander Jeglic, Procurement Ombud.

Office of the Parliamentary Budget Officer:

Annette Ryan, Parliamentary Budget Officer;

Louis Perrault, Director General, Economic and Fiscal Analysis;

Govindadeva Bernier, Director, Budgetary Analysis.

Alan Arcand and Alexander Jeglic each made a statement and answered questions.

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

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

Annette Ryan made a statement and, together with Louis Perrault and Govindadeva Bernier, answered questions.

At 8:46 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

ATTEST:

Sara Gajic

Clerk of the Committee