



## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Thursday, February 12, 2026  
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[English]

The Standing Senate Committee on Fisheries and Oceans met in camera this day at 8:32 a.m., in room W110, 1 Wellington St., the deputy chair, the Honourable Bev Busson, presiding.

*Members of the committee present:* The Honourable Senators Boudreau, Busson, Cuzner, Deacon (*Nova Scotia*), Poirier, Prosper, Ravalia, Saint-Germain and Surette (9).

*Participating in the meeting:* Daniele Lafrance, Analyst, 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 those elements contained in Division 33 of Part 5 of Bill C-15, An Act to implement certain provisions of the budget tabled in Parliament on November 4, 2025.

Pursuant to rule 12-16(1)(d), the committee discussed in camera a draft report.

It was agreed that the committee allow the audio recording and/or transcription of the in camera meeting today, that one copy be kept with the clerk of the committee for consultation by committee members and/or their staff, and that the audio recording and/or transcript be destroyed by the clerk of the committee when authorized to do so by the Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure, but no later than at the end of this parliamentary session.

At 9 a.m., the committee suspended.

At 9:17 a.m., resumed in camera.

It was agreed that the draft report, as amended, be adopted in both official languages and that the Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure be empowered to approve the final version of the report, taking into consideration today's discussion, and with any necessary editorial, grammatical and translation changes required.

It was agreed that the chair be authorized to deposit the report with the Clerk of the Senate, if the Senate is not then sitting, at the earliest opportunity.

At 9:41 a.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

*ATTEST:*

Melissa Doyle

*Clerk of the Committee*