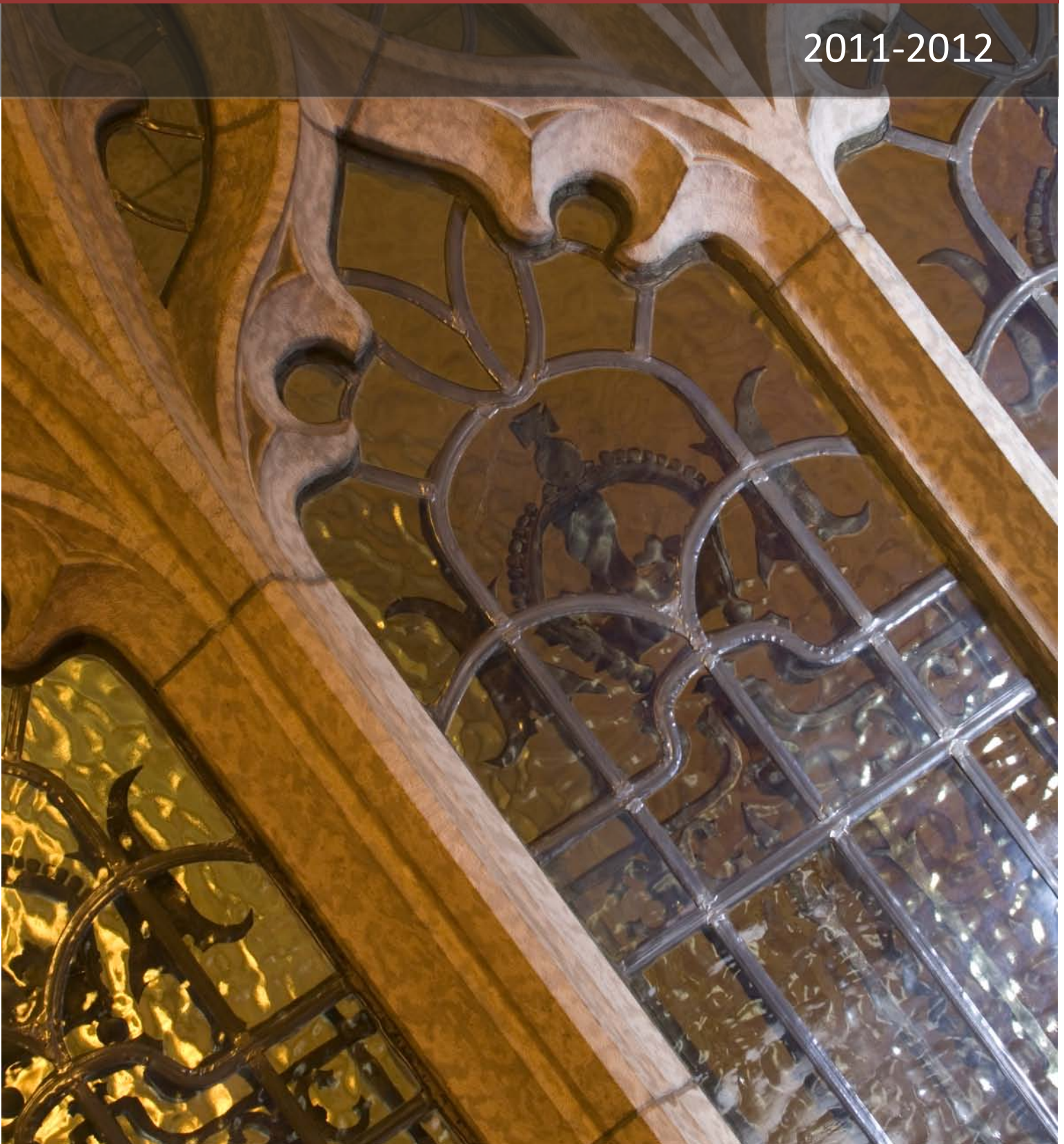




# Committees Directorate Activities and Expenditures Annual Report

2011-2012





## ***Message from the Principal Clerk of Committees***



It is my pleasure to present the 2011-2012 Annual Report of the Senate Committees Directorate, describing the activities and expenditures of the directorate and the many committees to which it provides administrative, procedural and other support.

The fiscal year began during a period of dissolution, as Parliament had been dissolved on March 26, 2011. A federal election was held on May 2, 2011 and the First Session of the 41<sup>th</sup> Parliament began on June 3, 2011 with the Speech from the Throne in the Senate Chamber. On June 9, the Selection Committee reported its recommendations for committee membership, and committee organization meetings were held shortly thereafter.

While some preliminary planning occurred before the summer adjournment, it was in the fall that committee work began in earnest. Orders of reference were obtained, budgets were drafted and approved, and hearings began. Committees soon became active and activity levels remained high until the end of the fiscal year.

Committees are proud of their work, and it is important that it be communicated effectively to stakeholders and Canadians more broadly. In the course of 2011-2012, the Directorate made a concerted effort to enhance the tools available to Canadians to find out about the work of committees. We collaborated with the Communications, Publications and Information Services directorates to update the content, modernize the look and feel and improve the functionality of all Senate committee websites. Feedback from witness surveys indicates that the changes have made a significant and positive difference.

The Committees Directorate is proud to provide professional, non-partisan support to Senate committees to help them attain their objectives. We greatly appreciate the feedback we receive from committee chairs and deputy chairs which helps us to assess and improve our services. We also value the feedback we receive from surveys given to witnesses following their appearance. The responses indicate a very high level of satisfaction, with 99% of witnesses rating the overall services of the Committees Directorate as 4 or 5 on a 5-point scale. Many witnesses also commented on how welcoming, well-prepared and attentive senators were, and 95% of witnesses reported that they considered their appearance to be useful. We look forward to continuing to provide high-quality support to a process that Canadians value.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Heather Lank". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Dr. Heather Lank  
Principal Clerk

## ***Mission Statement***

The Senate of Canada, as part of the Parliament of Canada, is an integral part of the federal legislative process. As a legislature, the Senate has established a number of select committees to deal with the examination of bills, estimates and special studies on various subjects. The Committees Directorate serves those committees in the areas of administration, parliamentary procedure and information relating to committee tasks and objectives. In the fulfillment of its mission, the Senate Committees Directorate has the responsibility to:

- provide superior service to all Senators serving on committees;
- perform duties in a courteous, professional and impartial manner;
- respect the principle of confidentiality working with Senators and in supporting committees;
- promote the public image of the Senate in particular and Parliament in general;
- observe the Rules, regulations and policies of the Senate;
- develop human resources; and
- encourage innovation to improve the operations of the directorate.

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## Part I – General Information

### Overview of Activities and Expenditures

#### Operating Expenditures

During fiscal year 2011-2012, the directorate provided support to 20 standing, special, and joint committees (and 1 subcommittee).\*

<b>Committees Directorate</b>	
(32 person years 2011-2012)	
<b>Operating Expenditures</b>	
Directorate:	<b>\$2,289,433</b>
Committees:	<b>\$486,556</b>
Witnesses:	<b>\$249,807</b>
Other:	<b>\$107,138</b>

#### Committee Activities

Committees account for much of the activity of the Senate. On average, over 50 bills are examined and 50 special studies are undertaken each year. Each committee is unique in subject matter and purpose. Some committees rarely examine legislation, while others focus almost entirely on bills. There are currently nineteen standing committees of the Senate. The size of committees, their general areas of study and the number of members required for quorum are set under Rule 86(1) of the *Rules of the Senate*.

\* All data contained in this report was extracted from the *Journals of the Senate*, the Proceedings of Senate Committees and the records of the Senate Finance Directorate.

## Committee Operations

The following table compares the various activities of all Senate committees by fiscal years since 2007-2008.

Activity Indicators	2011-12	2010-11	2009-10	2008-09	2007-08	5-year average
Meetings	401	591	514	361	444	462.2
Reports	80	125	131	117	151	120.8
Hours in Committee	702.4	1,060.2	867.1	643.2	775.3	809.6
Witnesses	1,334	1,887	1,424	1,112	1,381	1,427.6
Bills	21	58	51	43	66	47.8
Fact-Finding Hours	161	275.8	439.6	160.9	283.4	264.1
Pre-Studies/ Subject-matter	2	1	3	1	3	2.0
Special Studies Undertaken	41	54	63	61	64	56.6
Trips	8	18	20	14	15	15.0

The following table illustrates the various orders of reference received by Senate committees in the fiscal year 2011-2012.

Orders of Reference	No. of Meetings	% of Total Meetings	No. of Hours	% of Total Hours
Bills and Subject-Matter of Bills	57	14.2	149.6	21.3
Special Studies	293	73.1	498.5	71.0
Permanent (Conflict, Internal, Library, Rules, Selection, Scrutiny)	51	12.7	54.3	7.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>401</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>702.4</b>	<b>100</b>

**Legislation**

The following table compares the number of bills referred to Senate committees since 2006-2007.

<b>Years</b>	<b>Bills</b>	<b>Total No. of Meetings</b>	<b>Total No. of Hours</b>	<b>Total No. of Witnesses</b>
2011-12	21	56	146.3	403
2010-11	58	140	271.5	689
2009-10	51	86	165.1	398
2008-09	43	85	159.0	338
2007-08	66	121	203.2	429
<b>Five-Year Average</b>	<b>47.8</b>	<b>97.6</b>	<b>189.0</b>	<b>451.4</b>

**Special Studies**

The following table compares the number of special studies undertaken by Senate committees since 2007-2008.

<b>Years</b>	<b>Special Studies</b>	<b>Total No. of Meetings</b>	<b>Total No. of Hours</b>	<b>Total No. of Witnesses</b>	<b>Hours of Fact-Finding Missions</b>
2011-12	41	293	498.5	923	124.0
2010-11	54	387	715.8	1,136	275.8
2009-10	63	362	622.4	984	439.6
2008-09	61	228	429.4	670	160.9
2007-08	64	271	509.3	911	283.1
<b>Five-Year Average</b>	<b>56.6</b>	<b>308.2</b>	<b>555.1</b>	<b>924.8</b>	<b>256.7</b>

**Consulting Canadians and Others**

Every year, a number of trips are undertaken to gather testimony at the local and regional levels. Committees hold formal public hearings in locations throughout Canada, and undertake more informal "fact-finding" trips both within Canada and abroad. Committee travel provides senators with the opportunity to better familiarize themselves with the issues they are studying and to obtain evidence and information that cannot be obtained in Ottawa.

When committees travel outside Canada to inquire into matters, the meetings are called fact-finding missions, which means they are not considered official proceedings and no transcripts are published. The information gathered, however, is still valid to the committee's inquiry and can be used in a report of the committee.

**Agriculture and Forestry** (study on research and innovation efforts in the agricultural sector)

Fact-finding missions:

- St. Hyacinthe, St. Étienne-des-Grès and Quebec City, Quebec (March 7-9, 2012)
- Washington, D.C. (March 18-21, 2012)

**Energy, the Environment and Natural Resources** (study on emerging issues related to its mandate)

Public hearings and fact finding missions:

- Vancouver, British Columbia and Edmonton and Calgary, Alberta (November 28 to December 2, 2011)
- Regina, Saskatchewan and Winnipeg, Manitoba (December 6-9, 2011)

**Fisheries and Oceans** (study on the management of the grey seal population off Canada's East Coast)

Public hearings:

- Halifax, Nova Scotia (March 29, 2012)

**Foreign Affairs and International Trade** (study on the political and economic developments in Brazil and the implications for Canadian policy)

Fact-finding mission:

- Brasilia, Sao Paulo and Rio de Janeiro (November 27-December 3, 2011)

**National Security and Defence** (Subcommittee on Veterans Affairs - study on services and benefits provided to veterans and their families)

Fact-finding mission:

- Charlottetown, P.E.I. (March 5, 2012)

**Transport and Communications** (study on emerging issues related to the Canadian airline industry)

Fact-finding mission:

- Montreal, Quebec (February 6, 2012)

**Parliamentary Internet**

The Committees Directorate regularly reassesses its presence on the Parliamentary Internet site ([www.parl.gc.ca](http://www.parl.gc.ca)) to ensure that it provides useful information and is user-friendly. We value the relevance of this medium to enhance the visibility of Senate committees. In 2011-2012, committee websites were significantly enhanced by updating their content, modernizing their look and feel, and improving their functionality.

All committee reports, press releases, and appropriate directorate documents are converted into HTML and/or PDF format and posted on the Internet. Information on the Internet about Senate committees, including the date, time and place of meetings, expected witnesses, radio frequencies and whether the meeting will be webcast and/or video-recorded for broadcasting on CPAC are updated on a regular basis. Key directorate documents such as the *Annual Report*, *Fundamentals of Senate Committees*, *FAQs* and *Guide to Participating in a Senate Committee Study* are also available online.

## **Contributions to Public Policy Development: Special Study Reports**

The following list highlights the major 2011-2012 reports by committee. A brief summary of each of these reports is found on the subsequent pages of this document.

### **Aboriginal Peoples**

- *Reforming First Nations Education: From Crisis to Hope* (December 2011)

### **Agriculture and Forestry**

- *The Canadian Forest Sector: A Future Based on Innovation* (July 2011)

### **Conflict of Interest**

- *Report on the Conflict of Interest Code for Senators (amended)* (March 2012)

### **Fisheries and Oceans**

- *Staffed Lighthouses in Newfoundland and Labrador and British Columbia* (October 2011)
- *Implementation of the Heritage Lighthouse Protection Act* (October 2011)

### **Human Rights**

- *The Sexual Exploitation of Children in Canada: the Need for National Action* (November 2011)

### **National Security and Defence**

- *Answering the Call: The Future role of Canada's Primary Reserve* (December 2011)
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### **Official Languages**

- *The Vitality of Quebec's English-speaking Communities: From Myth to Reality* (October 2011)
- *Air Canada's Obligations under the Official Languages Act: Towards Substantive Equality* (March 2012)

### **Social Affairs, Science and Technology**

- *Opening the Door: Reducing Barriers to Post-Secondary Education in Canada* (December 2011)
- *Time for Transformative Change: A Review of the 2004 Health Accord* (March 2012)

## Highlights of Special Study Reports

### **Standing Committee on Aboriginal Peoples**

***Reforming First Nations Education: From Crisis to Hope***  
(Third Report (interim) tabled in the Senate on December 7, 2011;  
Sessional Paper No. 1/41- 619S)

In December 2011, the Standing Senate Committee on Aboriginal Peoples released a report examining possible strategies for reform of on-reserve First Nations education. The Committee's report, *Reforming First Nations Education: From Crisis to Hope*, found that the current patchwork of individually operated and funded First Nations schools on reserves is failing students. The report noted that on-reserve schools operate in relative isolation from one another and without meaningful access to critical educational supports provided by school boards or ministries of education. In real terms, this means the learning abilities of children are not adequately assessed, schools are not equipped with modern learning facilities, qualified teachers are paid less and cannot be retained, and First Nations students continue to fall further behind.

The report calls for a First Nations Education Act to provide for the establishment and legal recognition of First Nations educational authorities that are accountable, first and foremost, to parents and community members and that are able to enter into contractual arrangements with provincial and territorial school systems for critical education services. In addition to structural change, the report also calls for First Nations education financing reform. Statutory funding, based on key cost drivers is needed to replace the current system of annual contribution payments First Nations receive from the Department of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada. The current formula, last updated in 1996, does not include money for libraries, computer or technology labs, athletic facilities, or capital costs. The result is that First Nations are going into significant debt or cannot deliver basic educational services that are taken for granted elsewhere.

### **Standing Committee on Agriculture and Forestry**

***The Canadian Forest Sector: A Future Based on Innovation***  
(Second Report (final) deposited with the Clerk of the Senate on July 5, 2011;  
Sessional Paper No. 1/41-205S)

The recent forest sector crisis in Canada has had considerable economic, social and ecological implications. The falling demand for Canadian wood products has led to mill closures and massive layoffs. From 2000 to 2008, direct jobs in the forest industry declined by about 37%, for a loss of some 100,000 direct jobs. Ecologically, downward pressure on wood prices and the resulting poor profit margins have had an impact on forest management activities.

In light of this dire situation, the Standing Senate on Agriculture and Forestry began an in-depth study of Canada's forest sector in the spring of 2009. The final report is based on the committee's public hearings and fact-finding missions, held between April 2009 and December 2010.

The final report consists of two parts and contains 18 recommendations. The first part explores the causes and effects of the forest crisis in Canada, considering the economic, social and ecological role of forests. It also describes the historical evolution of the federal government's roles and responsibilities in the forest sector. The second part focuses on solutions to the problems identified in the first part.

### **Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans**

#### ***Seeing the Light: Report on Staffed Lighthouses in Newfoundland and Labrador and British Columbia***

(Second Report (interim) tabled in the Senate on October 6, 2011;  
Sessional Paper No. 1/41-475S)

The committee republished the report entitled *Seeing the Light: Report on Staffed Lighthouses in Newfoundland and Labrador and British Columbia* in October 2011 in order to request a response from the Government to its recommendations.

#### ***Report on the Implementation of the Heritage Lighthouse Protection Act***

(Third Report (interim) tabled in the Senate on October 6, 2011;  
Sessional Paper No. 1/41-476S)

The committee republished the report entitled *Report on the Implementation of the Heritage Lighthouse Protection Act* in October 2011 in order to request a response from the Government to its recommendations.

### **Standing Committee on Human Rights**

#### ***The Sexual Exploitation of Children in Canada: the Need for National Action***

(Third Report (final) tabled in the Senate on November 23, 2011;  
Sessional Paper No. 1/41-597S)

Prostitution, child pornography, the luring of children over the Internet and any sexual abuse of a child are all forms of sexual exploitation. The common thread that runs through these crimes is that a child's inherent human dignity has been violated for the sexual gratification of adults. Whether these adults are referred to as sexual predators, sex offenders, or child abusers, they are taking advantage of Canada's most vulnerable members, its children, and abusing the trust that children place in adults to protect them and to help them identify what is in their best interest.

The Standing Senate Committee on Human Rights examined the issue of the sexual exploitation of children in Canada, with a particular emphasis on understanding the scope and prevalence of the problem of the sexual exploitation of children across the country and in particularly affected communities. It had previously drawn attention to the pressing need for action by the Government of Canada in response to the commercial sexual exploitation of children in its 2007 report, *Children: The Silenced Citizens, Effective Implementation of Canada's International Obligations with Respect to the Rights of Children*.

Over the course of this study, the committee learned from witnesses that the sexual exploitation of children is all too prevalent and that much more needs to be done to provide appropriate help to children who find themselves in these situations. The committee heard from many Canadians who are working to reduce the incidence of sexual exploitation in Canada and to assist those children who have been sexually exploited. Based on the evidence presented, it provided eight recommendations dealing with research, aboriginal communities, the criminal justice system, victim support and prevention. The committee also renewed its call for a Children's Commissioner as it did in previous reports on children.

### **Standing Committee on National Security and Defence**

#### ***Answering the Call: The Future Role of Canada's Primary Reserve***

(Fourth Report (interim) tabled in the Senate on December 15, 2011;  
Sessional Paper No. 1/41- 647S)

The committee tabled a report in December 2011 entitled: *Answering the Call - The Future Role of Canada's Primary Reserve*. The report states that Canada's Reserve has become indispensable to the operations of the Canadian Forces, on missions abroad and here at home.

In the report, the committee makes a series of recommendations to ensure the viability and effectiveness of the Primary Reserve for the future, including:

- increasing the size and strength of the Primary Reserve;
- enhancing the number of Reserve training days;
- making Reserve pay stable, predictable, non-discretionary, with its own funding line;
- keeping a small number of Reservists at the same training level as the Regular Force, for faster deployment, and employing some Reservists in new specialities such as cyber defence; and
- continuing its efforts to inform reservists who are veterans of the health benefits and services available to them.

### **Standing Committee on Official Languages**

#### ***The Vitality of Quebec's English-speaking Communities: From Myth to Reality***

(Second Report (interim) tabled in the Senate on October 6, 2011;  
Sessional Paper No. 1/41- 477S)

The committee republished the report entitled *The Vitality of Quebec's English-speaking Communities: From Myth to Reality* in October 2011 in order to request a response from the Government on its recommendations.

#### ***Air Canada's Obligations under the Official Languages Act: Towards Substantive Equality***

(Third Report (final) tabled in the Senate on March 13, 2012;  
Sessional Paper No. 1/41-754S)

The committee's report is based on the audit of the delivery of bilingual services to Air Canada passengers that was released by the Office of the Commissioner of Official Languages in September 2011 and on evidence presented to the committee during public hearings held in the fall of 2011. This is the second time the committee scrutinized the Corporation's language obligations, the only Canadian air carrier subject to the *Official Languages Act*. Year after year, Air Canada is one of the three institutions about which complaints are regularly made to the Commissioner of Official Languages, a problem that has persisted for more than 40 years. In the report, the committee makes six recommendations urging that the Air Canada Corporation take the measures needed to provide services of equal quality in English and French.



**Standing Committee on Social Affairs, Science and Technology**

***Opening the Door: Reducing Barriers to Post-Secondary Education in Canada***

(Sixth Report (final) deposited with the Clerk of the Senate on December 22, 2011;  
Sessional Paper No. 1/41-656S)

The Standing Senate Committee on Social Affairs, Science and Technology was authorized in June 2009 (renewed in June 2011) to “examine and report on the accessibility of post-secondary education in Canada,” including current barriers, funding mechanisms for students, mechanisms to fund scientific research and development in post-secondary institutions and its commercialization, and the federal/provincial transfer mechanisms for funding of post-secondary institution. Almost 70 witnesses appeared at 19 meetings of the committee, addressing all of these topics, including the non-financial barriers that potential students face. In addition to specific recommendations with respect to federal programs and transfers, the committee also recommended that the federal government, working with the Council of Ministers of Education, develop a national strategy for post-secondary education, to encourage standardization of data, support for on-line learning, a national credit-recognition program between colleges and universities within and between provinces, and the creation of a separate transfer for post-secondary education.

***Time for Transformative Change: A Review of the 2004 Health Accord***

(Seventh Report (final) tabled in the Senate on March 27, 2012;  
Sessional Paper No. 1/41-776S)

The report entitled *Time for Transformative Change: A Review of the 2004 Health Accord* presents the findings of the committee’s statutory review of the 10-Year Plan to Strengthen Health Care (10-Year Plan) an agreement reached by First Ministers on September 16, 2004 that focuses on federal/provincial/territorial (F/P/T) collaboration in the area of health care reform. The committee’s review also includes an examination of the separate Communiqué on Improving Aboriginal Health, which was released by First Ministers and Leaders of National Aboriginal Organizations on 14 September, 2004. This report presents the committee’s findings regarding progress towards the implementation of the 10-Year Plan and the Communiqué on Improving Aboriginal Health, reflecting the testimony presented by witnesses over the course of 13 hearings and one roundtable discussion, as well as many written submissions received from interested organizations and individuals. It includes 46 recommendations made in a broad range of areas, including: reducing wait times and improving access; strategic health human resource (HHR) action plans; home care; primary health care reform, including electronic health records and tele-health; access to care in the North; National Pharmaceuticals Strategy; prevention, promotion and public health; health research and innovation; accountability and reporting to citizens; and dispute avoidance and resolution.

## Part II – Committee Profiles 2011-2012

### Standing Committee on Aboriginal Peoples

#### A. General Information

In the fiscal year 2011-2012, the committee received four orders of reference, two for special studies and two for legislation. The committee spent the majority of its time carrying out work on its global order of reference, authorizing it to examine and report on the federal government's constitutional, treaty, political, and legal responsibilities to First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples, and on other matters generally relating to the Aboriginal Peoples of Canada.

Pursuant to this broad order of reference, the committee heard witnesses on various subjects but focused on completing its study of First Nations education reform. In 2011-2012, the committee held 6 meetings and heard 24 witnesses in the course of its education study. A report entitled *First Nations Education: From Crisis to Hope* was tabled in December, 2011, and received a great deal of positive media attention.

On the legislative front, Bill C-22, the Eeyou Marine Region Land Claims Agreement Act, was reported without amendment on November 22, 2011, following the testimony of 8 witnesses. On March 13, 2012, the committee reported Bill S-6, the First Nations Elections Act. Fifteen individuals gave testimony over the course of 5 meetings. The bill was reported without amendment but with observations.

#### B. Reports to the Senate in 2011-2012 \*

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
First	Rule 104	2011-06-15	-	Expenses from the previous session
Second	Bill C-22 (Eeyou Marine Region Land Claims Agreement Act)	2011-11-22	8	Bill reported without amendment
Third	Matters generally relating to the Aboriginal Peoples of Canada	2011-12-07	46	Interim report: <i>Reforming First Nations Education: From Crisis to Hope</i>
Fourth	Bill S-6 (First Nations Elections Act)	2012-03-13	15	Bill reported without amendment but with observations

\* In the individual committee profiles:

- Chart B (Reports to the Senate in 2011-2012) includes the number of witnesses who appeared on each order of reference that was reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2011-2012, even if their appearance was in previous fiscal years.
- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2008-2012) includes the total number of witnesses heard during the fiscal year, including those on orders of reference which were not reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2011-2012.

**C. Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2008-2012**

<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>No. of Meetings</b>	<b>No. of Meeting Hours</b>	<b>No. of Fact-Finding Hours</b>	<b>No. of Witnesses</b>	<b>No. of Reports</b>
2011-12	31	51.5	-	111	4
2010-11	38	66.3	32.4	134	6
2009-10	46	81.2	2.2	161	8
2008-09	21	34.8	-	64	7
2007-08	15	21.0	19.8	43	5

**D. Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2011-2012**

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	NIL
Witness Expenses:	<u>\$19,703</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$19,703</b>

**E. Committee Membership for Fiscal Year 2011-2012**

(\* Indicates ex officio members)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Gerry St. Germain, P.C. (Conservative)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Lillian Dyck (Liberal)

Members of the committee (as nominated by the Committee of Selection):

The Honourable Senators Atallahjan, Brazeau, Campbell, \*Cowan (or Tardif), Dallaire, Demers, Dyck, \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Carignan), Lovelace Nicholas, Meredith, Patterson, Raine, Sibbeston, St. Germain, P.C.

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Cordy, Dagenais, Hubley, Martin, Meredith, Moore, Munson, Nolin, Plett, Smith (Saurel), Stewart Olsen, Stratton, Wallace, Watt and White

Committee Clerk:

Marcy Zlotnick

Analysts and Administrative Support:

James Gauthier, Shauna Troniak and Tonina Simeone (Library of Parliament)  
Lyne Héroux (Administrative Assistant)

## Standing Committee on Agriculture and Forestry

### A. General Information

During the past fiscal year, the Standing Committee on Agriculture and Forestry submitted 2 substantive reports to the Senate. The first substantive report, entitled *The Canadian Forest Sector: A Future based on Innovation*, was based on the committee's public hearings and fact-finding missions, held between April 2009 and December 2010 on the crisis in Canada's forest sector.

The second substantive report was related to legislation, Bill C-18, on the reorganization of the Canadian Wheat Board.

The committee also began a new order of reference pertaining to research and innovation efforts in the agricultural sector. The committee conducted numerous public hearings in Ottawa with regard to this order of reference and also undertook two fact-finding missions in March 2012. Under the auspices of the first fact-finding mission, the committee travelled to Saint-Hyacinthe, St-Étienne-des-Grès and Quebec City while the second took the committee to Washington D.C.

### B. Reports to the Senate in 2011-2012 \*

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
First	Rule 104	2011-06-15	-	Expenses from the previous session
Second	Study on the forest sector	2011-07-05	135	Final Report entitled The Canadian Forest Sector: A Future Based on Innovation
Third	Research and innovation efforts in the agricultural sector	2011-11-01	-	Budget
Fourth	Bill C-18 (Reorganize the Canadian Wheat Board)	2011-12-12	43	Bill reported without amendment
Fifth	Research and innovation efforts in the agricultural sector	2012-02-16	-	Budget

\* In the individual committee profiles:

- Chart B (Reports to the Senate in 2011-2012) includes the number of witnesses who appeared on each order of reference that was reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2011-2012, even if their appearance was in previous fiscal years.
- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2008-2012) includes the total number of witnesses heard during the fiscal year, including those on orders of reference which were not reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2011-2012.

**C. Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2008-2012**

<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>No. of Meetings</b>	<b>No. of Meeting Hours</b>	<b>No. of Fact-Finding Hours</b>	<b>No. of Witnesses</b>	<b>No. of Reports</b>
2011-12	29	54.7	23.0	102	5
2010-11	37	62.8	57.0	89	1
2009-10	34	56.6	17.0	83	8
2008-09	19	28.1	-	38	5
2007-08	38	73.8	-	172	6

**D. Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2011-2012**

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	\$52,122
Witness Expenses:	<u>\$58,647</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$110,769</b>

**E. Committee Membership for Fiscal Year 2011-2012**

(\* Indicates ex officio members)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Percy Mockler (Conservative)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Fernand Robichaud, P.C. (Liberal)

Members of the committee (as nominated by the Committee of Selection):

The Honourable Senators Callbeck, \*Cowan (or Tardif), Duffy, Eaton, Fairbairn, P.C., \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Carignan), Mahovlich, Mercer, Mockler, Ogilvie, Plett, Rivard, Robichaud, P.C., Segal

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Buth, Campbell, Champagne, P.C., Chaput, Cordy, Demers, Finley, Frum, Hubley, Maltais, Manning, Meighen, Merchant, Munson, Nolin, Peterson, Smith (Saurel), Stewart Olsen, Stratton and Tkachuk

Committee Clerk:

Kevin Pittman

Analysts and Administrative Support:

Mathieu Frigon and Sarah Jane Fraser (Library of Parliament)  
Louise Archambault (Administrative Assistant)

## Standing Committee on Banking, Trade and Commerce

### A. General Information

During the 2011-2012 fiscal year, the committee considered one bill and engaged in two studies.

As part of its general study regarding the present state of the domestic and international financial system, the committee examined issues surrounding financing growth capital for small and medium-sized enterprises. In doing so, the government heard from a number of witnesses involved in business, finance, and academia. The committee did not report on this study prior to the end of the fiscal year. The committee also had two appearances by the Governor of the Bank of Canada, and one by the Superintendent of Financial Institutions to discuss issues related to their mandates.

In addition, the committee began a statutory review of the *Proceeds of Crime (Money Laundering) and Terrorist Financing Act*, a study which was still on-going at the end of the fiscal year.

The committee examined Bill S-5, the Financial System Review Act, which it reported without amendment, but with observations. Bill S-203, the Boards of Directors Modernization Act, was also referred to the committee, but no hearings were held during the fiscal year.

### B. Reports to the Senate in 2011-2012 \*

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
First	Rule 104	2011-06-16	-	Expenses from the previous session
Second	Bill S-5 (Financial System Review Act)	2011-12-15	26	Bill reported without amendment but with observations

### C. Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2008-2012

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Meeting Hours	No. of Fact-Finding Hours	No. of Witness	No. of Reports
2011-12	32	50.8	-	117	2
2010-11	40	67.8	-	112	8
2009-10	35	60.0	-	98	5
2008-09	22	43.0	-	98	2
2007-08	31	56.2	-	121	11

\* In the individual committee profiles:

- Chart B (Reports to the Senate in 2011-2012) includes the number of witnesses who appeared on each order of reference that was reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2011-2012, even if their appearance was in previous fiscal years.
- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2008-2012) includes the total number of witnesses heard during the fiscal year, including those on orders of reference which were not reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2011-2012.

**D. Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2011-2012**

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	\$5,800
Witnesses Expenses:	<u>\$6,937</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$12,737</b>

**E. Committee Membership for Fiscal Year 2011-2012**

(\* Indicates ex officio members)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Michael A. Meighen (Conservative) (until February 6, 2012)  
The Honourable Irving R. Gerstein (Conservative) (from February 8, 2012)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Céline Hervieux-Payette, P.C. (Liberal)

Members of the committee (as nominated by the Committee of Selection):

The Honourable Senators \*Cowan (or Tardif), Gerstein, Greene, Harb, Hervieux-Payette, P.C.,  
\*LeBreton, P.C. (or Carignan), Massicotte, Meighen, Moore, Oliver, Ringuette, Smith (Saurel),  
Stewart Olsen and Tkachuk

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Atallahjan, Campbell, Cochrane, Day, Di Nino, Eaton, Housakos,  
Losier-Cool, Macdonald, Maltais, Mockler, Raine, Rivard and St. Germain, P.C.

Committee Clerk:

Adam Thompson

Analysts and Administrative Support:

John Bulmer and Adriane Yong (Library of Parliament)  
Lori Meldrum (Administrative Assistant)

## Standing Committee of Conflict of Interest for Senators

### A. General Information

The Committee on Conflict of Interest for Senators was created under the *Rules of the Senate* to be responsible for all matters relating to the *Conflict of Interest Code for Senators* adopted in 2005, and to exercise general direction over the Senate Ethics Officer. An amended *Code* was adopted by the Senate in May 2008. On March 29, 2012, the Committee presented a report to the Senate proposing six amendments to the Code. The committee's responsibilities are detailed in the Code.

The membership of the committee is determined by a process that differs from that of all other committees. In accordance with the provisions of the Code, two members are elected by secret ballot in the respective caucuses of the Government and Opposition parties. A fifth member is then chosen by these four members. The chair of the committee must be chosen by at least four members of the committee.

### B. Reports to the Senate in 2011-2012 \*

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
First	Rule 104	2011-10-20	-	Expenses from the previous session
Second	Pursuant to rule 86(1)(r)	2011-11-03	-	Budget
Third	Consideration of matters relating to the Conflict of Interest Code for Senators	2012-03-12	2	Report on the Conflict of Interest Code for Senators (amended)

### C. Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2008-2012

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Meeting Hours	No. of Witnesses	No. of Reports
2011-12	9	9.5	2	3
2010-11	1	0.3	-	2
2009-10	6	7.4	1	2
2008-09	9	9.2	-	2
2007-08	7	7.4	-	2

\* In the individual committee profiles:

- Chart B (Reports to the Senate in 2011-2012) includes the number of witnesses who appeared on each order of reference that was reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2011-2012, even if their appearance was in previous fiscal years.
- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2008-2012) includes the total number of witnesses heard during the fiscal year, including those on orders of reference which were not reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2011-2012.



**D. Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2011-2012**

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	NIL
Witness Expenses:	<u>NIL</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>NIL</b>

**E. Committee Membership for Fiscal Year 2011-2012**

(\* Indicates ex officio members)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Terry Stratton (Conservative)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Serge Joyal, P.C. (Liberal)

Members of the committee (agreed to by motion of the Senate):

The Honourable Senators Andreychuk, Angus, Cordy, Joyal, P.C., Stratton

Committee Clerk:

Catherine Piccinin

Analyst and Administrative Support:

Michel Bédard (Library of Parliament)

Debbie Larocque (Administrative Assistant)

## Standing Committee on Energy, the Environment and Natural Resources

### A. General Information

The committee deals with matters relating to energy, the environment and natural resources generally, including: mining and natural resources, other than fisheries and forestry; pipelines, transmission lines and energy transportation; environmental affairs; and other energy-related matters.

On June 16, 2011, the Senate once again authorized the committee to examine and report on the current state and future of Canada's energy sector (including alternative energy). The committee continued its study, with the goal of making recommendations regarding a strategic policy framework designed to ensure an efficient and sustainable energy future in all regions of Canada, while respecting provincial jurisdiction on energy and environmental matters.

The committee continued their commitment to travel to various regions of the country to gain first-hand perspectives on regional energy issues, complementing their knowledge gained during Ottawa-based hearings. The committee conducted fact-finding activities and held public hearings in Vancouver, Edmonton and Calgary (November 28 - December 2, 2011), then Winnipeg and Regina (December 6-9, 2011). Earlier in 2011, the committee held public hearings in Quebec and Atlantic Canada.

In addition to the website dedicated to their study, at [www.canadianenergyfuture.ca](http://www.canadianenergyfuture.ca), the committee continued to use the social media tool Twitter (@SCEENR\_SAYS, hashtag #ENEV) as a method to better engage with Canadians about Canada's energy future.

### B. Reports to the Senate in 2011-2012 \*

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
First	Rule 104	2011-06-15	-	Expenses from the previous session
Second	The current state and future of Canada's energy sector (including alternative energy)	2011-10-27	-	Budget
Third	The current state and future of Canada's energy sector (including alternative energy)	2012-03-29	-	Budget

\* In the individual committee profiles:

- Chart B (Reports to the Senate in 2011-2012) includes the number of witnesses who appeared on each order of reference that was reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2011-2012, even if their appearance was in previous fiscal years.
- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2008-2012) includes the total number of witnesses heard during the fiscal year, including those on orders of reference which were not reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2011-2012.

**C. Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2008-2012**

<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>No. of Meetings</b>	<b>No. of Meeting Hours</b>	<b>No. of Fact-Finding Hours</b>	<b>No. of Witnesses</b>	<b>No. of Reports</b>
2011-12	36	79.2	26.5	115	3
2010-11	49	114.1	28.4	159	9
2009-10	34	62.9	25.0	85	12
2008-09	22	44.6	36.0	71	10
2007-08	30	46.0	-	48	9

**D. Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2011-2012**

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	\$165,436
Witness Expenses:	<u>\$11,821</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$177,257</b>

**E. Committee Membership for Fiscal Year 2011-2012**

(\* Indicates ex officio members)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator W. David Angus (Conservative)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Grant Mitchell (Liberal)

Members of the committee (as nominated by the Committee of Selection):

The Honourable Senators Angus, Banks, Brown, \*Cowan (or Tardif), Dickson, Johnson, \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Carignan), Massicotte, Mitchell, Neufeld, Peterson, Seidman, Sibbeston and Wallace

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Baker, P.C., Boisvenu, Chaput, Frum, Kenny, Lang, Mahovlich, Martin, Merchant, Nolin and Raine

Committee Clerk:

Lynn Gordon

Analysts and Administrative Support:

Marc LeBlanc and Sam Banks (Library of Parliament)

Maritza Jean-Pierre (Administrative Assistant)

## Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans

### A. General Information

The committee undertook, in October 2011, a study on the management of the grey seal population off Canada's East Coast. It examined such aspects as the current state of the grey seal population and harvest, the potential impact the growing grey seal population has on fish stocks, the proposed targeted management of grey seals, as well as markets and new product development. The committee held public hearings in Ottawa as well as in Halifax, Nova Scotia at the end of March 2012. It heard from sealers, federal and provincial government representatives, fishermen, animal welfare organizations, the science sector and commercial market developers. The committee expects to publish its conclusions and recommendations on this subject before the end of June 2012.

In March 2012, the committee received an order of reference from the Senate to study the lobster fishery in Atlantic Canada and Quebec. It expects to begin this study in April 2012.

### B. Reports to the Senate in 2011-2012 \*

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
First	Rule 104	2011-06-15	-	Expenses from the previous session
Second	The evolving policy framework for managing Canada's fisheries and oceans	2011-10-06	28	Interim report: <i>Seeing the Light: Report on Staffed Lighthouses in Newfoundland and Labrador and British Columbia</i>
Third	The evolving policy framework for managing Canada's fisheries and oceans	2011-10-06	46	Interim report: <i>Report on the Implementation of the Heritage Lighthouse Protection Act</i>
Fourth	The evolving policy framework for managing Canada's fisheries and oceans	2010-10-27	-	Budget
Fifth	The management of the grey seal population off Canada's East Coast	2012-02-16	-	Budget

\* In the individual committee profiles:

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- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2008-2012) includes the total number of witnesses heard during the fiscal year, including those on orders of reference which were not reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2011-2012.

**C. Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2008-2012**

<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>No. of Meetings</b>	<b>No. of Meeting Hours</b>	<b>No. of Fact-Finding Hours</b>	<b>No. of Witnesses</b>	<b>No. of Reports</b>
2011-12	17	28.4	-	53	5
2010-11	20	30.3	46	74.5	6
2009-10	27	43.1	45.0	68	7
2008-09	18	34.4	18.2	51	3
2007-08	15	25.2	-	31	3

**D. Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2011-2012**

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	\$43,167
Witness Expenses:	\$19,704
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$62,871</b>

**E. Committee Membership for Fiscal Year 2011-2012**

(\* Indicates ex officio members)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Fabian Manning (Conservative)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Elizabeth Hubley (Liberal)

Members of the committee (as nominated by the Committee of Selection):

The Honourable Senators Cochrane, \*Cowan (or Tardif), Hubley, \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Carignan), Losier-Cool, Lovelace Nicholas, MacDonald, Manning, Oliver, Patterson, Poirier, Poy, Raine and Watt

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Chaput, Dagenais, Demers, Frum, Harb, Hervieux-Payette, P.C., and Marshall

Committee Clerk:

Danielle Labonté

Analysts and Administrative Support:

Claude Emery, François Côté and Sarah Jane Fraser (Library of Parliament)  
Anita Vinette (Administrative Assistant)

## Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade

### A. General Information

As part of its study on the political and economic developments in Brazil and the implications for Canadian policy and interests in the region, the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade held intensive hearings in Ottawa in October and November 2011. The committee travelled to Brazil on a fact-finding mission from November 25 to December 3, 2011, as part of this same study. The committee is still working on its report.

In February and March 2012, the committee began two major studies, one on Canadian foreign policy regarding Iran, its implications, and other related matters, and another on the establishment of a "Charter of the Commonwealth" as agreed to by the Commonwealth Heads of Government meeting in Perth, Australia, in October 2011 and its implications for Canada. The committee held intensive hearings in Ottawa on these two matters. The committee's report on the establishment of a Charter of the Commonwealth was tabled on April 3, 2012.

### B. Reports to the Senate in 2011-2012 \*

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
First	Rule 104	2011-06-16	-	Expenses from the previous session
Second	Study on Brazil	2011-10-27	-	Budget

### C. Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2008-2012

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Meeting Hours	No. of Fact-Finding Hours	No. of Witnesses	No. of Reports
2011-12	23	30.9	66.0	57	2
2010-11	31	44.5	37.8	59	8
2009-10	30	33.8	84.0	62	7
2008-09	19	30.1	-	41	7
2007-08	26	35.3	-	66	10

\* In the individual committee profiles:

- Chart B (Reports to the Senate in 2011-2012) includes the number of witnesses who appeared on each order of reference that was reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2011-2012, even if their appearance was in previous fiscal years.
- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2008-2012) includes the total number of witnesses heard during the fiscal year, including those on orders of reference which were not reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2011-2012.

**D. Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2011-2012**

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	\$177,500
Witness Expenses:	<u>\$13,665</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$191,165</b>

**E. Committee Membership for Fiscal Year 2011-2012**

(\* Indicates ex officio members)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Raynell Andreychuk (Conservative)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Percy E. Downe (Liberal)

Members of the committee (as nominated by the Committee of Selection):

The Honourable Senators Andreychuk, \*Cowan (or Tardif), De Bané, P.C., Downe, Finley, Fortin-Duplessis, Johnson, \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Carignan), Mahovlich, Nolin, Robichaud, P.C., Segal, Smith, P.C. (Cobourg) and Wallin

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Ataullahjan, Buth, Comeau, Dawson, Doyle, Duffy, Eaton, Jaffer, Martin, Mockler, Patterson, Plett, Poirier, Raine, Rivard, Smith (Saurel), Stewart Olsen, Stratton, St. Germain, P.C., and Tkachuk

Committee Clerk:

Line Gravel

Analysts and Administrative Support:

Natalie Mychajlyszyn and Brian Hermon (Library of Parliament)

Louise Pronovost (Administrative Assistant)

## Standing Committee on Human Rights

### **A. General Information**

The Standing Senate Committee on Human Rights began the current session by seeking from the Senate a renewal of its orders of reference prior to the dissolution of the 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament. It sought authorization to continue its studies into the sexual exploitation of children, the hiring and promotion practices in the Canadian public service related to employment equity groups and the machinery of government dealing with Canada's international and national human rights obligations. It also received permission to conduct a follow-up to reports from previous Parliaments dealing with children and matrimonial real property on reserve.

When the Senate returned in the fall, the committee completed its work examining the sexual exploitation of children and tabled its report entitled *The Sexual Exploitation of Children in Canada: the Need for National Action* on November 23, 2011. In the report, the committee stated that "the sexual abuse and exploitation of children violates their trust and safety and denies them their right to develop into healthy adults." It also acknowledged that this issue is extremely complex that crosses "jurisdictional, gender, and cultural boundaries." To deal with this societal malevolence, it presented eight recommendations. The report was debated and was adopted on February 1, 2012 with a request for a government response pursuant to Rule 131(2).

After the report was tabled, the committee returned to another study from the past, this time dealing with access to sports and recreation by disabled youth. It concluded its public hearings on this topic with 12 final witnesses which included the former senator Vim Kochhar, who initiated the study while a member of the committee.

On November 1, the committee received Bill S-2, *An Act respecting family homes situated on First Nation reserves and matrimonial interests or rights in or to structures and lands situated on those reserves* for study and report. It held two meetings and met with 21 witnesses. During the review of the bill, the committee recommended two amendments plus appended observations to its report relating to possible delays in creating a Centre of Excellence for First Nations communities. The report was presented to the Senate on November 29 and was adopted the following day. With the completion of its work on Bill S-2, the committee returned to its monitoring mandate of the public service and Canada's human rights obligations under the various international treaties and conventions.

In 2010, the committee tabled two reports touching upon Canada's implementation of United Nations Security Council Resolution 1325 and its successor motions. As a follow-up to these reports, the committee invited witnesses to update it on recent developments with a plan to collect further information later next fiscal year. It also held meetings in preparation for Canada's next Universal Periodic Review by the United Nations Human Rights Council which is scheduled for 2013. It heard from officials from the Government of Canada and non-governmental organizations about the process currently underway.

Finally, the committee commenced its study into the cyberbullying of youth in Canada. This examination will continue into 2012-2013.



**B. Reports to the Senate in 2011-2012 \***

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
First	Rule 104	2011-06-22	-	Expenses from the previous session
Second	Canada's international and national human rights obligations	2011-11-11	-	Budget
Third	Sexual exploitation of children in Canada	2011-11-23	48	Final report: <i>The Sexual Exploitation of Children in Canada: the Need for National Action</i>
Fourth	Bill S-2 (Family Homes on Reserves and Matrimonial Interests or Rights Act)	2011-11-29	21	Bill reported with 2 amendments and with observations

**C. Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2008-2012**

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Meeting Hours	No. of Fact-Finding Hours	No. of Witnesses	No. of Reports
2011-12	12	30.5	-	56	4
2010-11	22	46.4	-	100	6
2009-10	20	47.1	-	120	5
2008-09	14	33.1	-	78	8
2007-08	16	28.7	25.6	63	10

**D. Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2011-2012**

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	\$7,799
Witness Expenses:	<u>\$13,831</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$21,630</b>

\* In the individual committee profiles:

- Chart B (Reports to the Senate in 2011-2012) includes the number of witnesses who appeared on each order of reference that was reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2011-2012, even if their appearance was in previous fiscal years.
- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2008-2012) includes the total number of witnesses heard during the fiscal year, including those on orders of reference which were not reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2011-2012.

**E. Committee Membership for Fiscal Year 2011-2012**

(\* Indicates ex officio members)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Mobina Jaffer (Liberal)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Patrick Brazeau (Conservative)

Members of the committee (as nominated by the Committee of Selection):

The Honourable Senators Andreychuk, Ataullahjan, Baker, P.C., Brazeau, \*Cowan (or Tardif), Hubley, Jaffer, Kochhar, \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Carignan), Nancy Ruth and Zimmer

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Day, Dyck, Greene, Harb, Lovelace-Nicholas, Martin, Meredith, Nolin, Oliver, Plett, Seth, Wallace and White

Committee Clerk:

Daniel Charbonneau

Analyst and Administrative Support:

Julian Walker, Laura Barnett and Dominic Valiquette (Library of Parliament)  
Debbie Larocque (Administrative Assistant)

## Standing Committee on Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration

### A. General Information

The Committee has a mandate to consider all matters of a financial or administrative nature relating to the internal management of the Senate. It reviews and authorizes the budget applications of committees and sets guidelines and policies on items such as senators' travel and research expenditures. It should be noted the Committee is authorized to carry out its mandate on its own initiative rather than being dependent on an order of reference from the Senate (*Rule 86(1)(e)*).

### B. Reports to the Senate in 2011-2012 \*

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
First	Article 86 (g)	2011-06-02	-	International Travel Reports: Senator Eggleton - New York, Senator Nancy Ruth – Turkey
Second	Article 86 (g)	2011-10-27	-	Committee Budgets 2011-2012
Third	Article 86 (g)	2011-11-17	-	International Travel Report: Senator Munson - Greece
Fourth	Article 86 (g)	2011-11-24	-	Financial Statements of the Senate of Canada for the year ended March 31, 2011
Fifth	Article 86 (g)	2012-02-07	-	Annual Report on Internal Audits, 2010-2011
Sixth	Article 86 (g)	2012-02-16	-	International Travel Reports: Senator Jaffer - Sri Lanka, Senator Stratton - Chile
Seventh	Article 86 (g)	2012-02-29	-	Main Estimates 2012 - 2013
Eight	Article 86 (g)	2012-03-15	-	Senate Unrepresented Group Economic Increases and Severance Pay
Ninth	Article 86 (g)	2012-03-29	-	Senate Committee Budgets 2012-2013

\* In the individual committee profiles:

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- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2008-2012) includes the total number of witnesses heard during the fiscal year, including those on orders of reference which were not reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2011-2012.

**C. Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2008-2012**

<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>No. of Meetings</b>	<b>No. of Meeting Hours</b>	<b>No. of Witnesses</b>	<b>No. of Reports</b>
2011-12	18	20.9	3	9
2010-11	22	25.5	29	12
2009-10	18	22.8	7	8
2008-09	11	9.5	3	9
2007-08	12	14.9	-	8

**D. Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2011-2012**

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	NIL
Witness Expenses:	<u>NIL</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>NIL</b>

**E. Committee Membership for Fiscal Year 2011-2012**

(\* Indicates ex officio members)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator David Tkachuk (Conservative)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator George Furey (Liberal)

Members of the committee (as nominated by the Committee of Selection):

The Honourable Senators Campbell, Carignan, Charette-Poulin, Comeau, Cordy, \*Cowan (or Tardif), Di Nino, Downe, Furey, Kinsella, \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Carignan), Munson, Smith (Saurel), Stewart Olsen, Stratton and Tkachuk

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Cowan, Dawson, Day, Demers, Greene, Jaffer, Joyal, P.C., Manning, Martin, Marshall, Meighen, Mitchell, Mockler, Patterson, Runciman, Tardif and Wallin

Committee Clerk:

Gary O'Brien (Clerk of the Senate)

Administrative Support to the Internal Economy Secretariat:

Lucie Lavoie and Jimmy Manigat

## Standing Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs

### A. General Information

The Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee has historically been, and continues to be, one of the Senate's busiest committees. The vast majority of the committee's work entails the consideration of legislation, although the committee has undertaken more in-depth special studies on areas related to its mandate.

During this fiscal year, the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee studied and reported on the following bills:

- Bill C-19, An Act to amend the Criminal Code and the Firearms Act (long gun registry)
- Bill C-10, An Act to enact the Justice for Victims of Terrorism Act and to amend the Criminal Code and other Acts (Safe Streets and Communities Act)
- Bill C-20, An Act to amend the Constitution Act, 1867, the Electoral Boundaries Readjustment Act and the Canada Elections Act
- Bill S-1002, An Act to authorize the Industrial Alliance Pacific General Insurance Corporation to apply to be continued as a body corporate under the laws of Quebec
- Bill C-16, An Act to amend the National Defence Act (tenure for military judges)
- Bill S-3, A third Act to harmonize federal law with the civil law of Quebec and to amend certain Acts in order to ensure that each language version takes into account the common law and the civil law
- Bill C-2, An Act to amend the Criminal Code (mega-trials)
- Bill S-1001, An Act respecting Queen's University at Kingston

During this fiscal year, the committee also completed a study of a user fee proposal from the Parole Board of Canada. Pursuant to the *User Fees Act*, this proposal sought the approval of the committee to raise the Parole Board's component of the pardon application user fee from \$135 to \$631. The committee reported back to the Senate recommending its approval of the increase to the user fees, appending certain observations to its report. The committee also began a special study to examine and report on the provisions and operations of an *Act to amend the Criminal Code (production of records in sexual offence proceedings)*, but did not complete its review prior to the end of the fiscal year.

### B. Reports to the Senate in 2011-2012 \*

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
First	Rule 104	2011-06-16	-	Expenses from the previous session
Second	Bill C-2 (Criminal Code – mega-trials)	2011-06-23	18	Bill reported without amendment
Third	Bill S-1001 (Queen's University at Kingston)	2011-06-23	2	Bill reported without amendment

\* In the individual committee profiles:

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- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2008-2012) includes the total number of witnesses heard during the fiscal year, including those on orders of reference which were not reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2011-2012.

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
Fourth	Bill S-3 (Federal Law-Civil Law Harmonization Act, No. 3)	2011-11-03	1	Bill reported without amendment
Fifth	National Parole Board User Fees Proposal	2011-11-03	12	Report: <i>The Parole Board of Canada's User Fees Proposal</i>
Sixth	Bill C-16 (Security of Tenure of Military Judges Act)	2011-11-24	4	Bill reported without amendment
Seventh	Bill S-1002 (Industrial Alliance Pacific General Insurance Corporation)	2011-12-01	1	Bill reported without amendment
Eighth	Bill C-20 (Electoral Boundaries Readjustment Act)	2011-12-15	16	Bill reported without amendment
Ninth	Bill C-10 (Criminal Code and other Acts)	2012-02-28	123	Bill reported with 6 amendments
Tenth	Bill C-19 (Criminal Code and the Firearms Act)	2012-03-29	32	Bill reported without amendment

**C. Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2008-2012**

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Meeting Hours	No. of Fact-Finding Hours	No. of Witnesses	No. of Reports
2011-12	38	116.6	-	220	10
2010-11	51	118.3	-	254	18
2009-10	42	97.5	1.9	168	11
2008-09	28	48.2	-	74	9
2007-08	44	91.9	-	171	12

**D. Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2011-2012**

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	\$1,842
Witness Expenses:	<u>\$75,870</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$77,712</b>

**E. Committee Membership for Fiscal Year 2011-2012**

(\* Indicates ex officio members)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator John D. Wallace (Conservative)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Joan Fraser (Liberal)

Members of the committee (as nominated by the Committee of Selection):

The Honourable Senators Angus, Baker, P.C., Boisvenu, Chaput, \*Cowan (or Tardif), Fraser, Frum, Joyal, P.C., Lang, \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Carignan), Meredith, Runciman, Wallace and Watt

Other Senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Ataullahjan, Banks, Brown, Cowan, Dagenais, Dawson, Hervieux-Payette, P.C., Jaffer, MacDonald, Mercer, Meredith, Munson, Murray, P.C., Neufeld, Nancy Ruth, Poirier, Raine, Stratton, Unger and White

Committee Clerk:

Shaila Anwar

Analyst and Administrative Support:

Robin Mackay, Erin Shaw and Julia Nicol (Library of Parliament)  
Tracy Amendola (Administrative Assistant)

## Standing Committee on National Finance

### A. General Information

The committee was first created in May 1919 as the Committee on Finance, and, in 1968, it was renamed the Committee on National Finance. The committee's work is focused on matters relating to government spending. As stated in the *Rules of the Senate* (Rule 86(1)(g)), the committee has a mandate to examine matters related to federal Estimates generally, including:

- i. the national accounts and the reports of the Auditor General; and
- ii. Government finance.

A large part of the committee's work is devoted to a review of the government's estimates and issues arising out of that review.

#### *Study of the Estimates and Legislation*

As is customary, much of the committee's attention was focussed on the estimates, which outline the government's expenditure plans. The committee held several meetings to examine various aspects of the Government's planned expenditures for 2011-2012 and 2012-2013 including the *Supplementary Estimates (A) 2011-2012*, *Supplementary Estimates (B) 2011-2012*, and *Supplementary Estimates (C) 2011-2012*. During these examinations, a range of issues were brought to the attention of the Senate by the committee.

The committee undertook a preliminary examination of the *Main Estimates 2011-2012* in March 2011, considering a variety of issues, and presented an interim report to the Senate just prior to the dissolution of the Fortieth Parliament. As part of its hearings on the *Main Estimates 2011-2012*, the committee focused on a variety of issues, including the funding and operations of: Public Private Partnerships; the Office of the Veterans' Ombudsman; Public Works and Government Services Canada; National Defence and the Office of the Canadian Forces Ombudsman; and the Office of the Procurement Ombudsman. As is customary, the committee also heard from the Public Service Commission of Canada and the Auditor General.

The committee undertook a preliminary examination of the *Main Estimates 2012-2013* in March 2012, examining the funding and operations of: Canadian Heritage, the Correctional Service of Canada, Human Resources Skills Development Canada, Shared Services Canada, Natural Resources Canada, Service Canada, Public Works and Government Services Canada and Indian and Northern Affairs Canada. An interim report was tabled in the Senate in late March 2012.

Two bills were also reported by the committee:

- *Bill C-3, An Act to implement certain provisions of the 2011 budget as updated on June 6, 2011* – reported without amendments; and
- *Bill C-13, An Act to implement certain provisions of the 2011 budget as updated on June 6, 2011 and other measures* – reported without amendments.

#### *Special Studies*

The committee undertook a comprehensive study of the potential reasons for price discrepancies in respect of certain goods between Canada and the United States, given the value of the Canadian dollar and the effect of cross border shopping on the Canadian economy. The committee heard from a wide



range of stakeholders including representatives of the federal government, the Bank of Canada, consumer associations, the retail industry, manufacturers, universities, suppliers and distributors.

#### B. Reports to the Senate in 2011-2012 \*

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
First	Rule 104	2011-06-15	-	Expenses from the previous session
Second	Bill C-3 (Budget Implementation)	2011-06-22	24	Bill reported without amendment
Third	Main Estimates 2011-12	2011-06-23	6	First interim report on the estimates
Fourth	Study on the potential reasons for price discrepancies between Canada and the United States	2011-11-01	-	Budget
Fifth	Supplementary Estimates (B), 2011-2012	2011-12-08	19	Review
Sixth	Bill C-13 (Budget Implementation)	2011-12-08	54	Bill reported without amendment
Seventh	Supplementary Estimates (C), 2011-2012	2012-03-15	11	Final report
Eighth	Main Estimates 2012-13	2012-03-27	19	First interim report on the estimates

#### C. Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2008-2012

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Meeting Hours	No. of Fact-Finding Hours	No. of Witnesses	No. of Reports
2011-12	35	61.6		200	8
2010-11	66	132.1	-	298	8
2009-10	44	75.9	-	183	12
2008-09	31	56.2	-	126	12
2007-08	35	64.3	-	129	15

\* In the individual committee profiles:

- Chart B (Reports to the Senate in 2011-2012) includes the number of witnesses who appeared on each order of reference that was reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2011-2012, even if their appearance was in previous fiscal years.
- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2008-2012) includes the total number of witnesses heard during the fiscal year, including those on orders of reference which were not reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2011-2012.

**D. Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2011-2012**

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	NIL
Witness Expenses:	<u>\$10,156</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$10,156</b>

**E. Committee Membership for Fiscal Year 2011-2012**

(\* Indicates ex officio members)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Joseph A. Day (Liberal)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Richard Neufeld (Conservative) (since February 7, 2012)

The Honourable Senator Irving Gerstein (Conservative) (until February 7, 2012)

Members of the committee (as nominated by the Committee of Selection):

The Honourable Senators Callbeck, \*Cowan (or Tardif), Day, Dickson, Eggleton, P.C., Finley, Gerstein, \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Carignan), Marshall, Murray, P.C., Nancy Ruth, Neufeld, Ringuette and Runciman

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Andreychuk, Angus, Ataullahjan, Buth, Brown, Chaput, Cordy, Dagenais, Dawson, Eaton, Fortin-Duplessis, Frum, Hervieux-Payette, P.C., Housakos, Hubley, Lang, MacDonald, Maltais, Manning, Martin, Meighen, Meredith, Mitchell, Mockler, Moore, Munson, Nolin, Oliver, Peterson, Plett, Poirier, Rivard, Seidman, Smith (Saurel), Stratton, Tardif, Wallace and Wallin

Committee Clerk:

Jodi Turner

Analysts and Administrative Support:

Sylvain Fleury, Édison Roy-César and Terrance Thomas (Library of Parliament)

Sylvie Simard and Brigitte Martineau (Administrative Assistants)

## Standing Committee on National Security and Defence

### A. General Information

During the 2011-2012 fiscal year, the Standing Senate Committee on National Security and Defence continued to hear witnesses on its general mandate to examine and report on Canada's national security and defence policies, practices, circumstances and capabilities.

The committee touched on a variety of issues but mainly studied: the usage of dual-use technology by Iran; lessons learned from the Afghanistan mission; and the committee continued to study the state of the Reserves.

The committee tabled a report in December 2011 entitled: *Answering the Call - The Future Role of Canada's Primary Reserve*. The report states that Canada's Reserve has become indispensable to the operations of the Canadian Forces, on missions abroad and here at home.

In the report, the committee makes a series of recommendations to ensure the viability and effectiveness of the Primary Reserve for the future.

### B. Reports to the Senate in 2011-2012 \*

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
First	Rule 104	2011-06-21	-	Expenses from the previous session
Second	The national security and defence policies of Canada	2011-10-27	-	Budget
Third	Services and benefits provided to veterans and their families	2011-10-27	-	Budget
Fourth	The national security and defence policies of Canada	2011-12-15	19	Interim report: <i>Answering the Call: The Future role of Canada's Primary Reserve</i>

\* In the individual committee profiles:

- Chart B (Reports to the Senate in 2011-2012) includes the number of witnesses who appeared on each order of reference that was reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2011-2012, even if their appearance was in previous fiscal years.
- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2008-2012) includes the total number of witnesses heard during the fiscal year, including those on orders of reference which were not reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2011-2012.

**C. Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2008-2012**

<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>No. of Meetings</b>	<b>No. of Meeting Hours</b>	<b>No. of Fact-Finding Hours</b>	<b>No. of Witnesses</b>	<b>No. of Reports</b>
2011-12	10	21.5	-	36	4
2010-11	22	51.8	30.5	83	7
2009-10	23	55.5	161.5	28	5
2008-09	15	60.0	44.5	26	11
2007-08	18	68.7	114.0	71	7

**D. Expenditures For Fiscal Year 2011-2012**

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	\$5,733
Witness Expenses:	<u>\$2,787</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$8,520</b>

**E. Committee Membership for Fiscal Year 2011-2012**

(\* Indicates ex officio members)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Pamela Wallin (Conservative)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Roméo Dallaire (Liberal)

Members of the committee (as nominated by the Committee of Selection):

The Honourable Senators \*Cowan (or Tardif), Dallaire, Day, Lang, \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Carignan), Manning, Mitchell, Nolin, Peterson, Plett and Wallin

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Banks, Campbell, Cordy, Dawson, Di Nino, Eggleton, P.C., Finley, Meighen, Munson, Patterson, Rivard, Seidman, Segal, Stewart Olsen, Stratton and Wallace

Committee Clerk:

Josée Therien

Analysts and Administrative Support:

Holly Porteous and Martin Auger (Library of Parliament)  
Monique Régimbald (Administrative Assistant)

## Subcommittee on Veterans Affairs

### A. General Information

During the 2011-2012 fiscal year, the subcommittee on Veterans Affairs continued to hear witnesses on its broad mandate related to services and benefits provided to veterans and their families. As part of this mandate, the subcommittee has started a new study on transition to civilian life. This study's objectives are to look at existing initiatives, programs and resources that assist veterans and families in their transition after their military career. It focuses more specifically on efforts to promote the meaningful employment of veterans in the private and public sectors.

On March 5, 2012, the subcommittee conducted a fact-finding mission in Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island at the headquarters of Veterans Affairs Canada. The purpose of the mission was to hold meetings and have briefings with different directorates of the Department to have overviews and updates on VAC's work and accomplishments.

### B. Reports to the Senate in 2011-2012 \*

The Subcommittee on Veterans Affairs' reports to the Standing Committee on National Security and Defence.

### C. Activities of the Subcommittee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2008-2012

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Meeting Hours	No. of Fact-Finding Hours	No. of Witnesses
2011-12	10	10.8	6.5	22
2010-11	22	26.7	-	43
2009-10	15	15.3	-	23
2008-09	6	6.7	36.0	15
2007-08	12	12.8	36.0	22

### D. Expenditures For Fiscal Year 2011-2012

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	\$8,697
Witness Expenses:	<u>NIL</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$8,697</b>

\* In the individual committee profiles:

- Chart B (Reports to the Senate in 2011-2012) includes the number of witnesses who appeared on each order of reference that was reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2011-2012, even if their appearance was in previous fiscal years.
- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2008-2012) includes the total number of witnesses heard during the fiscal year, including those on orders of reference which were not reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2011-2012.

**E. Subcommittee Membership for Fiscal Year 2011-2012**

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Romeo Dallaire (Liberal)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Donald Neil Plett (Conservative)

Members of the Subcommittee (as nominated by the Committee):

The Honourable Senators Dallaire, Day, Nolin, Plett and Wallin

Other Senators who participated in the work of the Subcommittee:

The Honourable Senators Banks, Dawson, Frum, Manning, Mitchell, Rivard, St. Germain, P.C., and Stratton

Committee Clerk:

Josée Therien

Analysts and Administrative Support:

Martin Auger (Library of Parliament)

Monique Régimbald (Administrative Assistant)

## Standing Committee on Official Languages

### A. General Information

The committee undertook, in October 2011, a study on the use of the Internet, new media and social media and the respect for Canadians' language rights. New forms of communication are affecting the lives of Canadians as they are more and more a preferred – and indispensable – way of sharing information, communicating, delivering services, networking and interacting. The purpose of this study is to determine whether, in this new electronic world, the current system protects the language rights of Canadians. The committee has heard from more than 25 organizations as part of this study to date. It will continue hearing from witnesses on this matter in the coming months and expects to publish its conclusions and recommendations on this subject in the fall of 2012.

The committee undertook, in November 2011, a study on Air Canada's obligations under the *Official Languages Act*. The study was initiated as a reaction to the audit report on the delivery of bilingual services to Air Canada passengers that was released by the Office of the Commissioner of Official Languages in September 2011. After hearing from the Corporation, the Commissioner of Official Languages, representatives of official language minority communities and federal government departments, the committee published its report in March 2012.

The committee also undertook, in November 2011, a study on CBC/Radio-Canada's obligations under the *Official Languages Act* and some aspects of the *Broadcasting Act*. To date, the committee has heard from the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission and CBC/Radio-Canada on this matter. It will continue hearing witnesses in the coming months and expects to publish a report in the fall.

In March 2012, the committee received a response from the Government on its report entitled: *The Vitality of Quebec's English-speaking Communities: From Myth to Reality* (October 2011). It held one hearing on this matter where the Quebec Community Groups Network expressed its views on the response.

In addition to studying the matters mentioned above, the committee also studied the annual reports of the Commissioner of Official Languages, the Department of Canadian Heritage and the Treasury Board, as well as other issues relating to official languages, including second-language instruction and an audit of the delivery of bilingual services to the public by Service Canada published by the Office of the Commissioner of Official Languages (December 2010).

### B. Reports to the Senate in 2011-2012 \*

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
First	Rule 104	2011-06-21	-	Expenses from the previous session

\* In the individual committee profiles:

- Chart B (Reports to the Senate in 2011-2012) includes the number of witnesses who appeared on each order of reference that was reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2011-2012, even if their appearance was in previous fiscal years.
- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2008-2012) includes the total number of witnesses heard during the fiscal year, including those on orders of reference which were not reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2011-2012.

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
Second	The application of the <i>Official Languages Act</i>	2011-10-06	120	Interim report entitled: <i>The Vitality of Quebec's English-Speaking Communities: From Myth to Reality</i>
Third	Air Canada's obligations under the <i>Official Languages Act</i>	2012-03-13	9	Final report: <i>Air Canada's Obligations under the Official Languages Act: Towards Substantive Equality</i>

**C. Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2008-2012**

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Meeting Hours	No. of Fact-Finding Hours	No. of Witnesses	No. of Reports
2011-12	19	29.7	-	84	3
2010-11	31	55.5	11.0	109	3
2009-10	21	37.3	11.0	70	4
2008-09	16	30.4	11.0	64	5
2007-08	18	25.2	-	40	6

**D. Expenditures For Fiscal Year 2011-2012**

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	NIL
Witness Expenses:	<u>\$2,311</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,311</b>

**E. Committee Membership for Fiscal Year 2011-2012**

(\* Indicates ex officio members)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Maria Chaput (Liberal)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Andrée Champagne, P.C. (Conservative)

Members of the committee (as nominated by the Committee of Selection):

The Honourable Senators Champagne, P.C., Chaput, \*Cowan (or Tardif), De Bané, P.C., Eaton, Fortin-Duplessis, \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Carignan), Losier-Cool, Mockler, Poirier and Tardif



Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Buth, Dawson, Day, Nolin, Raine, Robichaud, P.C., and Segal

Committee Clerk:

Danielle Labonté

Analyst and Administrative Support:

Marie-Ève Hudon (Library of Parliament)

Anita Vinette (Administrative Assistant)

## Standing Committee on Rules, Procedures and the Rights of Parliament

### A. General Information

In 1968, a Standing Committee on Standing Rules and Orders was established following a report by the Special Committee on the *Rules of the Senate*, which had been appointed to examine the Rules and to recommend improvements. This committee was replaced in June 1991 by the Committee on Privileges, Standing Rules and Orders, which assumed the function of examining the orders, customs and privileges of the Senate, a function previously performed by the Committee on Privileges which was a committee of all the senators present during the session. In September of 2001, the committee adopted its current name to better reflect its mandate and responsibilities.

In 2011-2012, the Standing Committee on Rules, Procedures and the Rights of Parliament submitted two reports. The first report proposed a fully revised version of the *Rules of the Senate*, while the second proposed changes relating to leaves of absence and suspensions.

### B. Reports to the Senate in 2011-2012 \*

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
First	Pursuant to Rule 86(1)(f)(i)	2011-11-16	-	Revised <i>Rules of the Senate</i>
Second	Pursuant to Rule 86(1)(f)(i)	2011-11-29	-	Revisions to Part XII of the Rules

### C. Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2008-2012

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Meeting Hours	No. of Fact-Finding Hours	No. of Witnesses	No. of Reports
2011-12	11	13.2	-	-	2
2010-11	15	17.4	-	-	3
2009-10	24	29.9	-	28	6
2008-09	9	11.6	-	10	3
2007-08	8	9.7	36.0	7	7

\* In the individual committee profiles:

- Chart B (Reports to the Senate in 2011-2012) includes the number of witnesses who appeared on each order of reference that was reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2011-2012, even if their appearance was in previous fiscal years.
- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2008-2012) includes the total number of witnesses heard during the fiscal year, including those on orders of reference which were not reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2011-2012.

**D. Expenditures For Fiscal Year 2011-2012**

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	NIL
Witness Expenses:	<u>NIL</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>NIL</b>

**E. Committee Membership for Fiscal Year 2011-2012**

(\* Indicates ex officio members)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator David P. Smith, P.C. (Liberal)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator David Braley (Conservative)

Members of the committee (as nominated by the Committee of Selection):

The Honourable Senators Braley, Brown, Carignan, Comeau, \*Cowan (or Tardif), Duffy, Fraser, Furey, Housakos, Joyal, P.C., \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Carignan), McCoy, Smith, P.C. (Cobourg) and Stratton

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Chaput, Greene, Meighen, Nolin and Plett

Committee Clerk:

Charles Robert

Analysts and Administrative Support:

Andre Barnes and Sebastian Spano (Library of Parliament)

Katy Treehuba (Administrative Assistant)

## Standing Committee of Selection

### A. General Information

At the commencement of each session, a Committee of Selection is appointed to undertake two functions: the nomination of a Speaker *pro tempore* and the nomination of senators to serve on select committees.

### B. Reports to the Senate in 2011-2012 \*

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
First	Pursuant to rules 85(1)(a) and 85(2) of the <i>Rules of the Senate</i>	2011-06-09	-	Nomination of a Speaker pro tempore
Second	Pursuant to rules 85(1)(a) and 85(2) of the <i>Rules of the Senate</i>	2011-06-09	-	Nomination of senators to serve on committees

### C. Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2008-2012

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Hours	No. of Witnesses	No. of Reports
2011-12	1	0.2	0	2
2010-11	-	-	-	-
2009-10	2	0.4	-	3
2008-09	3	0.5	-	3
2007-08	2	0.4	-	3

### D. Expenditures For Fiscal Year 2011-2012

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	NIL
Witness Expenses:	<u>NIL</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>NIL</b>

\* In the individual committee profiles:

- Chart B (Reports to the Senate in 2011-2012) includes the number of witnesses who appeared on each order of reference that was reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2011-2012, even if their appearance was in previous fiscal years.
- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2008-2012) includes the total number of witnesses heard during the fiscal year, including those on orders of reference which were not reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2011-2012.

**E. Committee Membership for Fiscal Year 2011-2012**

(\* Indicates ex officio members)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Elizabeth Marshall (Conservative)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Jim Munson (Liberal)

Members of the committee (as nominated by the Senate):

The Honourable Senators Carstairs, P.C., Comeau, \*Cowan (or Tardif), Fraser, Frum, Greene,  
\*LeBreton, P.C. (or Carignan), Marshall, Martin, Munson and Robichaud, P.C.

Other senator who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senator Jaffer

Committee Clerk:

Heather Lank

Administrative Support:

Brigitte Martineau (Administrative Assistant)

## Standing Committee on Social Affairs, Science and Technology

### A. General Information

In the 1<sup>st</sup> session of the 41<sup>st</sup> Parliament, the committee finished its study on access to post-secondary education in Canada, tabling its final report in December, 2011. In addition, the committee finished its study of the progress in implementing the 2004, 10-Year Plan to Strengthen Health Care, hearing from 67 witnesses in the fall. The committee tabled its final report, entitled *Time for Transformative Change: A Review of the 2004 Health Accord* at the end of March, 2012. The committee resumed its study of social inclusion and cohesion in Canada, hearing from witnesses in February and March, 2012. In March 2012, the committee began its study of prescription pharmaceuticals in Canada.

The committee also studied the following bills during the 2011-2012 fiscal year:

- Bill S-201, An Act respecting a National Philanthropy Day
- Bill S-206, An Act respecting World Autism Awareness Day

### B. Reports to the Senate in 2011-2012 \*

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
First	Rule 104	2011-06-16	-	Expenses from the previous session
Second	The progress in implementing the 2004, 10-Year Plan to Strengthen Health Care	2011-11-17	-	Budget
Third	Accessibility of post-secondary education in Canada	2011-11-17	-	Budget
Fourth	Bill S-206 (World Autism Awareness Day)	2011-11-24	1	Bill reported without amendment
Fifth	Bill S-201 (National Philanthropy Day)	2011-12-01	1	Bill reported without amendment
Sixth	The accessibility of post-secondary education in Canada	2011-12-22	-	Final report: <i>Opening the Door: Reducing Barriers to Post-Secondary Education in Canada</i>

\* In the individual committee profiles:

- Chart B (Reports to the Senate in 2011-2012) includes the number of witnesses who appeared on each order of reference that was reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2011-2012, even if their appearance was in previous fiscal years.
- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2008-2012) includes the total number of witnesses heard during the fiscal year, including those on orders of reference which were not reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2011-2012.

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
Seventh	The progress in implementing the 2004, 10-Year Plan to Strengthen Health Care	2012-03-27	67	Final report: <i>Time for Transformative Change: A Review of the 2004 Health Accord</i>

**C. Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2008-2012**

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Meeting Hours	No. of Fact-Finding Hours	No. of Witnesses	No. of Reports
2011-12	32	53.4	-	104	7
2010-11	54	104.5	1.4	251	16
2009-10	27	44.5	-	89	13
2008-09	9	8.9	-	15	10
2007-08	27	47.5	-	102	16

**D. Expenditures For Fiscal Year 2011-2012**

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	\$14,759
Witness Expenses:	\$13,893
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$28,652</b>

**E. Committee Membership for Fiscal Year 2011-2012**

(\* Indicates ex officio members)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Kelvin K. Ogilvie (Conservative)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Art Eggleton, P.C. (Liberal)

Members of the committee (as nominated by the Committee of Selection):

The Honourable Senators Braley, Callbeck, Champagne, P.C., Cordy, \*Cowan (or Tardif), Demers, Dyck, Eggleton, P.C., \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Carignan), Marshall, Martin, Merchant, Ogilvie and Seidman

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Campbell, Comeau, Eaton, Housakos, Hubley, Meighen, Mercer, Neufeld, Peterson, Plett, Raine, Rivard, Seth, Verner, P.C., and Zimmer

Committee Clerk:

Jessica Richardson

Analysts and Administrative Support:

Karin Phillips and Michel-Ange Pantal (Library of Parliament)

Diane McMartin



## Standing Committee on Transport and Communications

### A. General Information

During the 1<sup>st</sup> Session of the 41<sup>st</sup> Parliament, the committee continued a study on the emerging issues related to the Canadian airline industry. The order of reference sets out four main issues of focus: global context, domestic market, the industry's business relationship with its passengers, and the economic impact of airports. As part of this study, the committee conducted fact-finding visits to the Ottawa International Airport and to Montreal Trudeau International Airport.

In addition to this special study, legislation was referred to the committee. Bill S-4, The Safer Railways Act was reported with one amendment on November 24, 2011.

### B. Reports to the Senate in 2011-2012 \*

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
First	Rule 104	2011-06-14	-	Expenses from the previous session
Second	Emerging issues related to the Canadian airline industry	2011-06-15	-	Budget
Third	Bill S- 4 (Railway Safety Act)	2011-11-02	12	Bill reported with one amendment
Fourth	Emerging issues related to the Canadian airline industry	2012-03-29	-	Budget

### C. Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2008-2012

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Meeting Hours	No. of Fact-Finding Hours	No. of Witnesses	No. of Reports
2011-12	24	25.5	2.0	50	4
2010-11	28	33.5	2.4	62	6
2009-10	26	34.0	64.6	71	6
2008-09	8	8.3	-	9	4
2007-08	30	43.1	15.1	100	9

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- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2008-2012) includes the total number of witnesses heard during the fiscal year, including those on orders of reference which were not reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2011-2012.

**D. Expenditures For Fiscal Year 2011-2012**

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	\$2,531
Witness Expenses:	<u>\$452</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,983</b>

**E. Committee Membership for Fiscal Year 2011-2012**

(\* Indicates ex officio members)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Dennis Dawson (Liberal)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Stephen Greene (Conservative)

Members of the committee (as nominated by the Committee of Selection):

The Honourable Senators Boisvenu, Cochrane, \*Cowan (or Tardif), Dawson, Fox, P.C., Frum, Greene, \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Carignan), MacDonald, Marshall, Martin, Mercer, Merchant and Zimmer

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Braley, Doyle, Eaton, Eggleton, P.C., Maltais, Manning, Munson, Plett, Unger and Verner, P.C.

Committee Clerk:

Jean-Yves LeFort (since September 2011)

Keli Hogan (until October 2011)

Analysts and Administrative Support:

Terrence Thomas, Dean Ruffilli, Penny Becklumb and Alexandre Lavoie (Library of Parliament)

Nicole Raymond (Administrative Assistant)

## Standing Joint Committee on the Library of Parliament

### A. General Information

The Joint Committee on the Library of Parliament has been authorized to assist the Speaker of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Commons in directing and controlling the Library of Parliament, and to make recommendations to the Speaker of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Commons regarding the governance of the Library and the proper expenditure of moneys voted by Parliament for the purchase of books, maps or other articles to be deposited therein.

### B. Reports to the Senate in 2011-2012 \*

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
First	Permanent	2011-10-04	-	Committee's Quorum and Mandate

### C. Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2008-2012

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Meeting Hours	No. of Witnesses	No. of Reports
2011-12	1	0.7	0	1
2010-11	8	7.8	15	2
2009-10	12	18.7	24	3
2008-09	5	5.8	6	1
2007-08	3	1.7	2	1

### D. Expenditures For Fiscal Year 2011-2012

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	NIL
Witness Expenses:	<u>NIL</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>NIL</b>

\* In the individual committee profiles:

- Chart B (Reports to the Senate in 2011-2012) includes the number of witnesses who appeared on each order of reference that was reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2011-2012, even if their appearance was in previous fiscal years.
- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2008-2012) includes the total number of witnesses heard during the fiscal year, including those on orders of reference which were not reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2011-2012.

**E. Committee Membership for Fiscal Year 2011-2012**

Joint Chair:

The Honourable Senator Marie-P. Charette-Poulin (Liberal)

Members of the committee (as nominated by the Committee of Selection):

The Honourable Senators Atallahjan, Carstairs, P.C., Eaton, Poy and Rivard

Other senator who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senator Munson

Joint Committee Clerk:

Kevin Pittman

Analysts and Administrative Support:

Marie-Ève Hudon and Sonya Norris (Library of Parliament)

Louise Archambault (Administrative Assistant)

## Standing Joint Committee for the Scrutiny of Regulations

### A. General Information

The joint committee's mandate is defined by the *Statutory Instruments Act*, which authorizes it to review and scrutinize certain statutory instruments made after January 1, 1972. In addition to its statutory order of reference, the Senate and the House of Commons have, since 1980, renewed an order of reference at the beginning of each session authorizing the joint committee to study the means by which Parliament can better oversee and control the government regulatory process. Taken together, the statutory and sessional references of the committee provide it with a broad jurisdiction to enquire into and report on most aspects of the federal regulatory process.

In the fiscal year from April 1, 2011 to March 31, 2012, 11 meetings were held. No witnesses were called.

### B. Reports to the Senate in 2011-2012 \*

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
First	Rule 104	2011-06-23	-	Expenses from the previous session

### C. Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2008-2012

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Meeting Hours	No. of Witnesses	No. of Reports
2011-12	11	10.5	0	1
2010-11	16	18.8	1	1
2009-10	11	15.0	1	4
2008-09	10	12.1	3	3
2007-08	12	14.9	4	2

### D. Expenditures For Fiscal Year 2011-2012

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	\$1,171
Witness Expenses:	<u>NIL</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,171</b>

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- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2008-2012) includes the total number of witnesses heard during the fiscal year, including those on orders of reference which were not reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2011-2012.

**E. Committee Membership for Fiscal Year 2011-2012**

Joint Chair:

The Honourable Senator Bob Runciman (Conservative)

Members of the committee (as nominated by the Committee of Selection):

The Honourable Senators Boisvenu, Braley, Harb, Hervieux-Payette, P.C., Housakos, Marshall, Moore and Runciman

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Frum, Rivard and Verner, P.C.

Joint Committee Clerk:

Marcy Zlotnick

Administrative Support:

Peter Bernhardt, Jacques Rousseau, Shawn Abel, and Evelyne Borkowski-Parent (Library of Parliament)

Lyne Héroux (Administrative Assistant)

## Special Committee on Anti-Terrorism

### A. General Information

The Special Senate Committee on Anti-terrorism was initially established in March 2012 as the Special Senate Committee on Certain Government Bills. On March 27, 2012, the committee presented its first report to the Senate, requesting that its name be changed to the Special Senate Committee on Anti-Terrorism.

During fiscal year 2011-2012, the committee began the study of one piece of legislation, *Bill S-7, An Act to amend the Criminal Code, the Canada Evidence Act and the Security of Information Act*.

### B. Reports to the Senate in 2011-2012 \*

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
First		2012-03-27	-	Name be changed from the Special Senate Committee on Certain Government Bills to Special Senate Committee on Anti-Terrorism

### C. Activities of the Committee

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Meeting Hours	No. of Witnesses	No. of Reports
2011-12	2	2.0	2	1

### D. Expenditures For Fiscal Year 2011-2012

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	NIL
Witness Expenses:	<u>NIL</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>NIL</b>

### E. Committee Membership for Fiscal Year 2011-2012

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Hugh Segal (Conservative)

\* In the individual committee profiles:

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- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2008-2012) includes the total number of witnesses heard during the fiscal year, including those on orders of reference which were not reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2011-2012.

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Serge Joyal, P.C. (Liberal)

Members of the committee (as nominated by the Committee of Selection):

The Honourable Senators Andreychuk, Dagenais, \*Cowan (or Tardif), Dallaire, Day, Frum, Joyal, P.C., \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Carignan), Segal, Smith, P.C. (Cobourg) and Tkachuk

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Marshall and Mitchell

Committee Clerk:

Jodi Turner

Administrative Support:

Lyne Casavant (Library of Parliament)

Louise Pronovost (Administrative Assistant)



## Part III – Committee Expenditures

### Detailed Committee Expenditure Report for 2011-2012

Senate committees may apply for a budget, for example to engage the services of writers/editors or communications advisors, or to travel, if so authorized by the Senate. In addition, certain expenditures are charged to a centralized budget managed by the Committees Directorate. These include videoconferencing fees and travel expenses for witnesses, which are both included in column B below. Other expenses which are charged to this centralized budget are included in Column C below. These are general postage, coffee/tea/juice at committee meetings in Ottawa, working meals in Ottawa, and committee travel immunization charges.

#### Meetings and Expenditures, 2008-2012

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	Total Senate Committees (A)	Witness Expenses (B)	Other Expenses (C)	Total Expenditures (A+B+C)
2011-12	401	\$486,556	\$249,807	\$107,138	<b>\$843,501</b>
2010-11	581	\$687,050	\$302,448	\$197,025	<b>\$1,186,523</b>
2009-10	514	\$1,332,551	\$223,920	\$178,424	<b>\$1,734,895</b>
2008-09	361	\$1,030,767	\$184,223	-	<b>\$1,214,990</b>
2007-08	444	\$1,520,093	\$202,874	-	<b>\$1,722,967</b>

#### Explanation of Standard Categories

The following table provides each committee's budget and actual expenditures, divided between General Expenses (for all expenses unrelated to specific committee trips), and each committee trip. Expenditures are further broken down into three standard categories:

- **Transportation and Communications** (including airfare, hotels, per diems, working meals and ground transportation)
- **Professional and Other Services** (including research assistance, expert advisors, reporting and transcribing services and hospitality)
- **All Other Expenditures** (including advertising, courier charges, rental of meeting rooms, reporting and interpretation equipment, and printing)

## Committee Budgets and Expenditures Report for 2011-2012

Name of Committee <i>Session 41-1</i>	BUDGET		EXPENDITURES			
	Total Budget	Budget	Transportation & Communication	Prof. Services	All Others	Total Expenditures
<b>Agriculture and Forestry</b>						
<b>Study on Agricultural Sector</b>	<b>296,711</b>					
General Expenses		1,000	-	-	-	-
New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island		46,078	-	-	-	-
Quebec		18,078	5,808	-	266	<b>6,074</b>
Eastern Canada		72,819	-	-	-	-
Guelph, Ontario		14,098	-	-	-	-
Washington, D.C.		144,638	45,763	159	126	<b>46,048</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>296,711</b>	<b>296,711</b>	<b>51,572</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>392</b>	<b>52,122</b>
<b>Banking, Trade and Commerce</b>						
<b>Legislation</b>	<b>7,300</b>					
General Expenses		7,300	-	-	5,800	<b>5,800</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7,300</b>	<b>7,300</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5,800</b>	<b>5,800</b>
<b>Conflict of Interest for Senators</b>	<b>50,000</b>					
General Expenses		50,000	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>50,000</b>	<b>50,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Energy, the Environment and Natural Resources</b>						
<b>Study on Energy Sector</b>	<b>496,281</b>					
General Expenses		25,165	59	14,841	86	<b>14,986</b>
Alberta & British Columbia		212,042	61,216	11,168	8,479	<b>80,863</b>
Manitoba and Saskatchewan		170,448	50,625	9,024	9,938	<b>69,586</b>
Washington, DC		83,626	-	-	-	-
Quebec (Emergency Funds)		5,000	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>496,281</b>	<b>496,281</b>	<b>111,900</b>	<b>35,033</b>	<b>16,213</b>	<b>165,436</b>
<b>Fisheries and Oceans</b>						
<b>Study on Government Policy Framework</b>	<b>155,124</b>					
General Expenses		5,000	-	-	-	-
Magdalen Islands, Quebec and Newfoundland		150,124	-	-	-	-

Name of Committee <i>Session 41-1</i>	BUDGET		EXPENDITURES			
	Total Budget	Budget	Transportation & Communication	Prof. Services	All Others	Total Expenditures
<b>Study on Management of the Grey Seal population off Canada's East Coast</b>	<b>103,560</b>					
Halifax, Nova Scotia		103,560	36,665	1,816	4,687	<b>43,167</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>258,684</b>	<b>258,684</b>	<b>36,665</b>	<b>1,816</b>	<b>4,687</b>	<b>43,167</b>
<b>Foreign Affairs and International Trade</b>						
<b>Study of the Political and Economic Developments in Brazil</b>	<b>278,090</b>					
General Expenses		1,400	-	-	-	-
Brazil		276,690	160,750	12,160	4,590	<b>177,500</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>278,090</b>	<b>278,090</b>	<b>160,750</b>	<b>12,160</b>	<b>4,590</b>	<b>177,500</b>
<b>Human Rights</b>						
<b>Study on Human Rights Obligations</b>	<b>219,645</b>					
Freetown, Sierra Leone, Accra, Ghana and Monrovia, Liberia		219,645	2,923	2,092	2,784	<b>7,799</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>219,645</b>	<b>219,645</b>	<b>2,923</b>	<b>2,092</b>	<b>2,784</b>	<b>7,799</b>
<b>Legal and Constitutional Affairs</b>						
<b>Legislation</b>	<b>49,500</b>					
General Expenses		49,500	-	-	1,842	<b>1,842</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>49,500</b>	<b>49,500</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,842</b>	<b>1,842</b>
<b>National Finance</b>						
<b>Cross Border Shopping</b>	<b>49,704</b>					
General Expenses		15,000	-	-	-	-
Toronto, Niagara Falls & Buffalo		34,704	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>49,704</b>	<b>49,704</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>National Security and Defence</b>						
<b>Study of the National Security Policy</b>	<b>137,318</b>					
General Expenses		36,000	-	-	-	-
West Coast Naval Base (Esquimalt, B.C.)		52,714	4,203	-	-	4,203
East Coast Naval Base (Halifax, N.S.)		48,604	1,530	-	-	1,530
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>137,318</b>	<b>137,318</b>	<b>5,733</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5,733</b>
<b>Subcommittee on Veterans Affairs</b>						
<b>Study of Veterans Affairs</b>	<b>40,654</b>					
General Expenses		1,000	-	-	-	-
Veterans Affairs Canada HQ (P.E.I.)		22,306	8,697	-	-	8,697
Valcartier, Qc		17,348	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>40,654</b>	<b>40,654</b>	<b>8,697</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>8,697</b>

Name of Committee <i>Session 41-1</i>	BUDGET		EXPENDITURES			
	Total Budget	Budget	Transportation & Communication	Prof. Services	All Others	Total Expenditures
<b>Scrutiny of Regulations (Joint)</b>						
General Expenses		7,050	-	449	723	1,171
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7,050</b>	<b>7,050</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>449</b>	<b>723</b>	<b>1,171</b>
<b>Social Affairs, Science and Technology</b>						
<b>Study on Health Accord</b>	<b>32,600</b>					
General Expenses		32,600	-	1,880	-	1,880
<b>Study on Post-Secondary Education</b>	<b>21,500</b>					
General Expenses		21,500	-	5,685	7,194	12,879
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>54,100</b>	<b>54,100</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>7,565</b>	<b>7,194</b>	<b>14,759</b>
<b>Transport and Communications</b>						
<b>Study on the Airline Industry</b>	<b>109,634</b>					
Toronto, Hamilton and Buffalo		60,436	-	-	-	-
Montreal and Plattsburg		49,198	2,301	-	230	2,531
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>109,634</b>	<b>109,634</b>	<b>2,301</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>2,531</b>
<b>TOTAL41-1</b>	<b>2,054,671</b>	<b>2,054,671</b>	<b>380,539</b>	<b>59,272</b>	<b>46,745</b>	<b>486,556</b>

## Witness Expense Breakdown for 2011-2012

41-1 COMMITTEE ACTIVITY	TOTAL	AMOUNT
<b>Aboriginal Peoples</b>	<b>37,979</b>	
Legislation		2,993
Special Study - General Matters		16,686
<b>Agriculture and Forestry</b>	<b>58,647</b>	
Legislation		35,552
Special Study - Agriculture Sector		23,095
Special Study - Canadian Forest Sector		-
<b>Banking, Trade and Commerce</b>	<b>6,891</b>	
Legislation		2,283
Special Study - Financial Systems		1,551
Special Study - Money Laundering		3,057
Special Study - Tax-Free Savings Accounts and RRSP		-
<b>Energy, Environment and Natural Resources</b>	<b>11,821</b>	
Special Study - Energy Sector		<b>11,821</b>
<b>Fisheries</b>	<b>19,704</b>	
Special Study - Grey Seal		19,704
<b>Foreign Affairs</b>	<b>13,561</b>	
Special Study - Brazil		6,998
Special Study - Charter of Commonwealth		2,195
Special Study - Foreign Policy in Iran		4,472
<b>Human Rights</b>	<b>13,831</b>	
Legislation		9,382
Special Study - Cyberbullying		1,099
Special Study - Obligations		3,349
<b>Legal and Constitutional Affairs</b>	<b>75,870</b>	
Legislation		71,561
Special Study - Sexual Offence Proc		636
Special Study - User Fees Prop		3,702
<b>National Finance</b>	<b>10,156</b>	
Legislation		3,499
Special Study - Cross Border Shopping		6,657
<b>National Security and Defence</b>	<b>2,787</b>	
Special Study - Relationship with U.S.		669
Special Study - National Security Policy		1,616
Special Study - Operations in Afghanistan		503
<b>Official Languages</b>	<b>2,311</b>	
Special Study - Official Languages Act		1,420
Special Study - Utilisation of Internet		891
<b>Social Affairs, Science and Technology</b>	<b>13,893</b>	
Special Study - 2004 Health Accord		7,655
Special Study - Inclusion/Cohesion (CDA)		6,237
Special Study - Largest Cities		-
<b>Transport &amp; Communication</b>	<b>452</b>	
Special Study - Airline Industry		452
<b>TOTAL 41-1</b>	<b>249,807</b>	<b>249,807</b>

*\*Total may not add up due to rounding.*