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## *Activities and Expenditures Annual Report*

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## *Message from the Principal Clerk of Committees*



It is my pleasure to present the 2008-2009 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 Second Session of the 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament ended on September 7, 2008, bringing sittings of the Senate and its committees to an end. A general election was held on October 14, 2008, and the First Session of the 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament began on November 18, 2008. Employees of the Committees Directorate were pleased to work with the Office of the Black Rod to assist in preparations for the Opening of Parliament, an important event held in the Senate chamber.

The First Session of the 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament lasted until December 4, 2008, and only the Selection Committee was struck. While the committee recommended the appointment of the Honourable Senator Losier-Cool as Speaker pro tempore, it did not report on the membership of committees. Therefore, it was only during the Second Session of the 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament that committees were once again active.

The Second Session began on January 26, 2009, on which day the Selection Committee was struck. The committee reported its recommendations for committee membership on February 10, 2009, and the report was adopted that day. Committees held their organization meetings shortly thereafter, and committees soon became active.

As a result of prorogation and dissolution, there were extensive periods during the fiscal year when committees could not meet. It is therefore not surprising that there were fewer meetings and hours in committee than the 5-year average, although the number of reports and witnesses approach the 5-year average. The Committees Directorate took advantage of the non-sitting periods to produce or update a wide variety of documents and working tools. These include an automated budget template and expense tracker that was awarded the Clerk's Award for Excellence, as well as a series of 10 papers (called "FAQs") to answer frequently asked questions about committees. The topics covered are: types of committees; the role of the chair; steering committees; in camera meetings; voting in committee; orders of reference; committee budgets; committee reports government responses and committee clerks. Other documents, such as *Fundamentals of Senate Committees*, were also updated.

The Committees Directorate is proud to provide professional, non-partisan support to Senate committees to help them attain their objectives. In addition, the directorate is pleased with the very positive feedback it receives through surveys given to witnesses following their appearance. The responses indicate a high level of satisfaction, with 96% of witnesses rating the overall services of the Committees Directorate as 4 or 5 on a 5-point scale. These numbers, combined with responses indicating that 96% of witnesses considered their appearance to be useful, demonstrate that the directorate is providing high-quality support to a process that Canadians value.

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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 2008-2009, the directorate provided support to 21 standing, special, and joint committees (and 3 subcommittees).\*

<b>Committees Directorate</b>	
(32 person years 2008-2009)	
<b>Operating Expenditures</b>	
Directorate:	\$2,270,219
Committees:	\$1,030,767
Witnesses:	\$184,223

#### 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*. In 2008-2009, the Special Committee on Anti-terrorism and the Special Committee on Aging were also active.

\* 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 2004-2005.

<b>Activity Indicators</b>	<b>2008-09</b>	<b>2007-08</b>	<b>2006-07</b>	<b>2005-06</b>	<b>2004-05</b>	<b>5-year average</b>
Meetings	361	444	541	396	408	430.0
Reports	117	151	154	90	113	125.0
Hours in Committee	643.2	775.3	1033.8	830.6	730.2	802.6
Witnesses	1,112	1,381	1,627	1,319	1,249	1,337.6
Bills	43	66	40	51	50	50.0
Fact-Finding Hours	160.9	283.4	371.9	355.6	143.5	263.1
Pre-Studies/ Subject-matter	1	3	1	3	4	2.4
Special Studies Undertaken	61	64	58	38	49	54.0
Trips	14	15	26	21	11	17.4

The following table illustrates the various orders of reference received by Senate committees in the fiscal year 2008-2009.

<b>Orders of Reference</b>	<b>No. of Meetings</b>	<b>% of Total Meetings</b>	<b>No. of Hours</b>	<b>% of Total Hours</b>
Bills and Subject-Matter of Bills	92	25.5	171.9	26.7
Special Studies	228	63.1	429.4	66.8
Permanent (Conflict, Internal, Rules, Library, Selection, Scrutiny)	41	11.4	41.9	6.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>361</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>643.2</b>	<b>100</b>

**Legislation**

The following table compares the number of bills referred to Senate committees since 2004-2005.

<b>Years</b>	<b>Bills</b>	<b>Total No. of Meetings</b>	<b>Total No. of Hours</b>	<b>Total No. of Witnesses</b>
2008-09	43	85	159.0	338
2007-08	66	121	203.2	429
2006-07	40	100	216.8	427
2005-06	51	99	174.3	338
2004-05	50	104	147.2	286
<b>Five-Year Average</b>	<b>50.0</b>	<b>101.8</b>	<b>180.1</b>	<b>363.6</b>

**Special Studies**

The following table compares the number of special studies undertaken by Senate committees since 2004-2005.

<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>
2008-09	61	228	429.4	670	160.9
2007-08	64	271	509.3	911	283.1
2006-07	58	359	694.4	1,186	371.9
2005-06	38	252	574.2	950	348.6
2004-05	49	233	486.3	935	143.5
<b>Five-Year Average</b>	<b>54.0</b>	<b>268.6</b>	<b>538.7</b>	<b>930.4</b>	<b>261.6</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 verbatim 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.

The **Special Committee on Aging**, for its study on the implications of an aging society in Canada, conducted fact-finding missions in Halifax, Nova Scotia on May 12, 2008; in Moncton, New Brunswick, May 13, 2008; in Ste. Anne and Fort Alexander, Manitoba on June 2 and 3, 2008; and in Victoria, British Columbia on June 5, 2008. The committee also held public hearings in Welland, Ontario on May 9, 2008; in Halifax, Nova Scotia on May 12, 2008; in Moncton, New Brunswick, May 13, 2008; in Sherbrooke, Quebec on May 15 and 16, 2008; in Ste Anne, Manitoba on June 2, 2008; and in Vancouver and Victoria, British Columbia on June 4 and 5, 2008.

The **Standing Committee on Energy, the Environment and Natural Resources**, for its study on emerging issues related to its mandate, conducted a fact-finding mission in Whitehorse, Yukon; and Yellowknife, Northwest Territories from June 2 to 7, 2008.

The **Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans**, for its study on issues relating to the federal government's current and evolving policy framework for managing Canada's fisheries and oceans, conducted a fact-finding mission in Iqaluit, Nunavut from June 2 to 6, 2008. The committee also held public hearings in Iqaluit, Nunavut from June 2 to 6, 2008.

The **Standing Committee on National Security and Defence**, for its study on Canadian security and military preparedness, conducted fact-finding missions in Dubai, United Arab Emirates; Kandahar, Afghanistan; Brussels, Belgium; and London, England from April 2 to 8, 2008.

The **Standing Committee on Official Languages**, for its study on the application of the Official Languages Act and of the regulations and directives made under it, held public hearings and conducted a fact-finding mission in Bathurst and Tracadie, New Brunswick from June 4 to 6, 2008.

The **Subcommittee on Cities of the Committee on Social Affairs, Science and Technology**, for its study on current social issues pertaining to Canada's largest cities, held public hearings and conducted a fact-finding mission in St. John's, Newfoundland and Halifax, Nova Scotia from August 11 to 14, 2008.

The **Subcommittee on Population Health of the Committee on Social Affairs, Science and Technology**, for its study on the impact of the multiple factors and conditions that contribute to the health of Canada's population, conducted fact-finding missions in St. John's, Newfoundland on May 21, 2008; in Halifax, Nova Scotia from May 30 to June 2, 2008; in Kaskechewan and Fort Albany, Ontario on June 9, 2008; and in Brantford, Ontario on June 16, 2008. The committee also held public hearings in St. John's, Newfoundland from May 19 to 21, 2008.

### **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.

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* and *A Guide for Witnesses Appearing Before Senate Committees* are also available online.

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

The following list highlights the major 2008-2009 reports by committee. A brief summary of each of these reports is found on the subsequent pages of this document.

### **Aboriginal Peoples**

- *Honouring the Spirit of Modern Treaties: Closing the Loopholes* (May 2008)

### **Agriculture and Forestry**

- *"Growing" Costs for Canadian Farmers* (June 2008)
- *Beyond Freefall: Halting Rural Poverty* (June 2008)

### **Energy, the Environment and Natural Resources**

- *Sustainable Development: A Report Card* (June 2008)

### **Fisheries and Oceans**

- *The Coast Guard in Canada's Arctic* (June 2008)

### **Human Rights**

- *Canada and the United Nations Human Rights Council: A Time for Serious Re-Evaluation* (June 2008)

### **National Finance**

- *Human Resources Management Issues in the Public Service* (April 2008)
- *The Officers and Agents of Parliament created or modified under the Federal Accountability Act* (May 2008)
- *Infrastructure Programs and Regional Development Agencies* (June 2008)

### **National Security and Defence**

- *How Are We Doing in Afghanistan? Canadians Need to Know* (June 2008)
- *Report on Reductions of Services Income Security Insurance Plan Long Term Disability Benefits* (June 2008)
- *Four Generals and an Admiral: The View from the Top* (August 2008)
- *Bringing Our Wounded Home Safely* (August 2008)
- *Emergency Preparedness in Canada* (August 2008)

### **Official Languages**

- *Reflecting Canada's Linguistic Duality at the 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games: A Golden Opportunity* (June 2008)
- *Bilingual Staff at Air Canada: Embracing the Challenge and Moving Forward* (June 2008)
- *Progress Report - Study on the Implementation of Part VII of the Official Languages Act* (June 2008)

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

- *Population Health Policy: Federal, Provincial, and Territorial Perspectives* (April 2008)
- *Population Health Policy: Issues & Options* (April 2008)
- *Mobilizing Science and Technology to Canada's Advantage* (April 2008)
- *Poverty, Housing and Homelessness: Issues and Options* (June 2008)

### **Transport and Communications**

- *Time for a New National Vision: Opportunities and Constraints for Canada in the Global Movement of Goods* (June 2008)

## Highlights of Special Study Reports

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

#### ***Honouring the Spirit of Modern Treaties: Closing the Loopholes***

(Fifth Report (interim) tabled in the Senate on May 15, 2008;  
Sessional Paper No. 2/39-591S)

In May 2008, following five months of public hearings, the Standing Senate Committee on Aboriginal Peoples released its report entitled "Honouring the Spirit of Modern Treaties". The report represents the first time a parliamentary committee has examined the implementation of federal obligations under modern treaty arrangements. Recognizing that the negotiation of modern treaties is an enormously complex task, the committee found that ongoing implementation challenges have meant that the achievements these agreements represent are often overshadowed. In particular, the committee was troubled by the narrow approach to treaty implementation adopted by the federal government, which it argues can result in the diminishing of the benefits and rights promised to Aboriginal peoples under these agreements. It was also deeply concerned that federal reluctance to use arbitration processes prescribed by these treaties could lead to disputes languishing for years without appropriate resolution.

Informed by constitutional principles related to the treaty-making process, the committee observed that in failing to properly implement the provisions of modern treaties the "honour of the Crown" is at stake. The committee made several recommendations to address deficiencies in implementation of these solemn agreements, including the need for a new national land claims implementation policy and the creation of an independent body to oversee the implementation process.

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

#### ***"Growing" Costs for Canadian Farmers***

(Eighth Report (interim) tabled in the Senate on June 12, 2008;  
Sessional Paper No. 2/39-646S)

The report looked at the factors behind the large increase in farm input prices that occurred in 2007/2008. Those factors include high energy prices, weather-related events in some parts of the world that reduced crop yields, increasing demand from Asian countries and the growth of ethanol production. Domestic institutional factors, such as regulations, also have a role in explaining high input prices. The seven recommendations concurrently addressed ways of helping farmers to cope with global factors through farm programs, while also asking the federal government to review domestic regulatory issues that potentially further exacerbate the effect of the global factors.

#### ***Beyond Freefall: Halting Rural Poverty***

(Ninth Report (final) tabled in the Senate on June 16, 2008;  
Sessional Paper No. 2/39-656S)

On November 20, 2007, the Standing Senate Committee on Agriculture and Forestry was given a renewed mandate to examine and report on rural poverty and rural decline in Canada. Pursuant to this order of reference, the committee tabled its final report in June 2008 entitled *Beyond Freefall: Halting Rural Poverty*. The report reflects the views provided to the committee from expert witnesses and rural Canadians in every province and territory. The report made 68 recommendations aimed at reducing rural poverty and rural decline in Canada and increasing the federal government policy commitment to rural issues.

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

### ***Sustainable Development: A Report Card***

(Ninth Report (interim) tabled in the Senate on June 11, 2008;  
Sessional Paper No. 2/39-643S)

The committee heard from witnesses from the Office of the Auditor General of Canada, (including the interim Commissioner of the Environment and Sustainable Development), the Privy Council Office, Treasury Board of Canada Secretariat, Environment Canada and Public Works and Government Services Canada in order to follow up on the recommendations of their June 2005 report entitled *Sustainable Development: It's Time to Walk the Talk*. The committee released the brief report stating that it was keen to see the results of the government's review of sustainable development strategies.

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

### ***The Coast Guard in Canada's Arctic***

(Fourth Report (interim) deposited with the Clerk of the Senate on June 23, 2008;  
Sessional Paper No. 2/39-697S)

The Arctic has received a great deal of attention in recent years. In this report, the committee examined the new realities of the Arctic as well as sovereignty-related issues to better understand the matters at hand. The committee focused on Canada's primary vehicle in demonstrating to the world its sovereignty in the Arctic, the Canadian Coast Guard, examining the current role and capability of this agency. The committee also assessed the issues at hand to determine if the Canadian Coast Guard is adequately prepared and equipped to meet future challenges as the key player for safeguarding the values and environmental and economic interests of Canadians in the North.

In this report, the committee put forward nine recommendations highlighting the requirements for a much stronger year-round, national presence and enforcement capability in the North. Additional resources such as equipment and infrastructure, expert knowledge of the region and policy structure are also recommended. Furthermore, the committee proposed that the federal department responsible for the Canadian Coast Guard, the Department of Fisheries and Oceans, provide a long-term strategic vision to guide it into the future.

## **Standing Committee on Human Rights**

### ***Canada and the United Nations Human Rights Council: A Time for Serious Re-Evaluation***

(Eighth Report (interim) tabled in the Senate on June 18, 2008;  
Sessional Paper No. 2/39-667S)

In June 2008, the Standing Senate Committee on Human Rights released its second report on the United Nations Human Rights Council entitled *Canada and the United Nations Human Rights Council: A Time for Serious Re-evaluation*. In this report, the committee examined the actions of the Human Rights Council in the 2007/2008 year, and assessed various initiatives undertaken by the Canadian government with respect to the Council. Ultimately, the committee concluded that although most of the Council's institution-building mechanisms are now in place, the Council's ongoing and deep politicization may have made it an unworkable mechanism for the promotion of international human rights. The committee accordingly issued a number of recommendations to the Canadian government on how to best maximize its position on the Council, as well as how to help work towards the establishment and maintenance of strong human rights review and protection mechanisms through the Council.

## **Standing Committee on National Finance**

### ***Human Resources Management Issues in the Public Service***

(Twelfth report (interim) tabled in the Senate on April 8, 2008)

As part of its examination of the estimates, the committee heard from the President of the Public Service Commission, Ms. Maria Barrados, to explain the Commission's annual report and to discuss its findings regarding a number of public service human resources management issues. The committee held two additional meetings to gain a further understanding of the nature of the problems highlighted by the PSC report and to determine the government's response.

In conclusion, the committee was impressed by the work of the Public Service Commission to modernize its hiring practices, yet expressed an interest in seeing initiatives developed to promote and facilitate the hiring of more visible minorities, as well as regular status reports on the temporary and casual employment in the public service. Committee members also highlighted the reliance on temporary employment in public service recruitment patterns.

### ***The Officers and Agents of Parliament created or modified under the Federal Accountability Act***

(Thirteenth report (interim) tabled in the Senate on May 28, 2008)

Again, as part of its examination of the estimates, the committee was concerned about the progress of the implementation of provisions of the Federal Accountability Act. The committee was specifically interested in identifying the measures adopted to ensure the independence or autonomy of the positions relative to the government.

Over several meetings, the committee discussed the expenditure plans and the process by which the offices were set up and the procedures used to appoint key personnel. Each newly appointed officer or agent reviewed his or her mandate, spending plans and challenges that they face at this time. Where a position was still unfilled, the committee discussed the matter with officials of the Treasury Board Secretariat (TBS) and the Privy Council Office (PCO). The committee completed its study and recommended that all reports of all Officers and Agents of Parliament be tabled in both Houses of Parliament.

### ***Infrastructure Programs and Regional Development Agencies***

(Sixteenth Report (interim) tabled in the Senate on June 11, 2008)

As part of its review of the 2008-2009 Estimates, the committee examined federal expenditures on infrastructure and related activities, including the participation of federal regional development agencies in the delivery of infrastructure funding.

After a number of meetings with various departments and agencies, the committee presented its report, which included a number of observations and made two recommendations:

- That the federal government consider introducing in its Gas Tax Fund an escalator provision to protect the purchasing power of this critical investment against inflation and growing needs.
- That in the future, the federal government consider using longer terms on its application-based infrastructure programs.

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

### ***How Are We Doing in Afghanistan? Canadians Need to Know***

(Ninth Report (interim) tabled in the Senate on June 10, 2008;  
Sessional Paper No. 2/39-631S)

After a series of hearings in Ottawa examining Canada's mission to Afghanistan, six members of the committee visited Canadian troops, development officers and diplomats on an eight-day fact-finding trip to Kandahar Air Force base in Afghanistan. The resulting report made 16 recommendations to the government on issues ranging from the way in which the mission is reported to Canadians, to specific suggestions regarding the length of tours of duty.

### ***Report on Reductions of Services Income Security Insurance Plan Long Term Disability Benefits***

(Tenth Report (interim) tabled in the Senate on June 18, 2008;  
Sessional Paper No. 2/39-669S)

This report was produced by the Subcommittee on Veterans Affairs after several public hearings that exposed to subcommittee members a loophole in the Service Income Security Insurance Plan (SISIP) Long Term Disability (LTD) plan that provides members of the Canadian Forces with 75% of their income when released from the Canadian Forces (CF) as the result of a disabling injury. What the subcommittee discovered was that some veterans can have their SISIP LTD benefits reduced if they also received additional types of disability pensions and benefits. Accordingly, the subcommittee recommended in its report, that the government cease its practice of clawing back SISIP LTD benefits for all veterans.

### ***Four Generals and an Admiral: The View from the Top***

(Eleventh Report (interim) deposited with the Clerk of the Senate on August 5, 2008;  
Sessional Paper No. 2/39-S)

On June 2 and June 9, 2008 five of Canada's most senior military officers, led by Lieutenant General Walt Natynczyk, expressed their views on the state of the Canadian military before the committee. This report sets out samples of that testimony and provides the committee's analysis of the funding currently provided to the Canadian military and offers its recommendations on how to address funding shortfalls that may occur in the future.

### ***Bringing Our Wounded Home Safely***

(Eleventh Report (interim) deposited with the Clerk of the Senate on August 11, 2008;  
Sessional Paper No. 2/39-S)

During its trip to Afghanistan in March/April 2008, the committee visited the Kandahar Air Field (KAF) Hospital in Kandahar, along with the Landstuhl Regional Medical Center (LRMC) in Landstuhl, Germany. This report highlights the committee's findings on the care and after-care services provided to wounded Canadian soldiers.

### ***Emergency Preparedness in Canada***

(Thirteenth Report (interim) deposited with the Clerk of the Senate on August 29, 2008;  
Sessional Paper No. 2/39-807S)

In this report, the committee examined how well various levels of government are doing in preparing first-responders across the country to handle local, regional and national crises. This report records responses from 92 Canadian municipalities to the committee's queries as to what kind of progress is being made to deal with various weaknesses in the areas of: coordination between municipal, provincial and federal government agencies, funding shortfalls, inoperability amongst various first responder groups and capacity issues.



## **Standing Committee on Official Languages**

### ***Reflecting Canada's Linguistic Duality at the 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games: A Golden Opportunity***

(Fourth Report (interim) tabled in the Senate on June 11, 2008;  
Sessional Paper No. 2/39-639S)

The committee released a report on linguistic duality at the 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games in March 2007 with a firm intention to monitor this issue very closely until 2010. While it is encouraged by the efforts of the various partners involved in organizing the Games, the committee followed up on this subject to ensure that progress was being made in reflecting the linguistic duality at the Vancouver and Whistler Games.

This report focused on five particular areas of interest: the recruitment of bilingual staff and volunteers, the appointment of a representative of Francophone communities to the Board of Directors, the access of equal quality to broadcasting of the games in both official languages, the services offered in hotels in Vancouver and Whistler, and the bilingual signage. The committee put forward six recommendations promoting various measures to ensure accessibility to the Games and services on the olympic and paralympic sites in both official languages and to ensure the representation of Francophone communities during the planning and coordination of the Games.

### ***Bilingual Staff at Air Canada: Embracing the Challenge and Moving Forward***

(Fifth Report (interim) tabled in the Senate on June 12, 2008;  
Sessional Paper No. 2/39-647S)

The committee invited representatives of Air Canada to appear before it to discuss the corporation's linguistic obligations and performance, and reported on its findings in this report. The committee demonstrated its ongoing interest in Air Canada's compliance with relevant provisions of the Act and put forward five recommendations to ensure efforts were maintained to augment services in both official languages. It proposed increased efforts in the recruitment of bilingual staff and the offering of language training for staff. The committee also recommended additional financial support to ensure accessibility to services in both official languages to users.

### ***Progress Report - Study on the Implementation of Part VII of the Official Languages Act***

(Sixth Report (interim) tabled in the Senate on June 12, 2008;  
Sessional Paper No. 2/39-648S)

The committee began its study to examine the status of the implementation of Part VII of the *Official Languages Act* and, more particularly, the actions taken by the federal institutions in that regard since the amendments made to the Act in November 2005. This part of the Act provides that the Government of Canada is committed to enhancing the vitality of the English and French linguistic minority communities in Canada and supporting and assisting their development, and fostering the full recognition and use of both English and French in Canadian society. It further provides that every federal institution shall ensure that positive measures are taken for the implementation of those commitments.

In this publication, the committee reports on its findings following hearings of the key players in the implementation of this part of the *Official Languages Act*: the Ministers of Canadian Heritage and Justice, as well as the Commissioner of Official Languages. The committee also reports on the evidence from many witnesses on this subject including the Department of National Defence and the Fédération des juristes d'expression française de Common Law. This release serves to communicate the findings gathered by the committee at this point with a commitment to analyse the evidence in a future report that will conclude this particular study.

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

### ***Population Health Policy: Federal, Provincial, and Territorial Perspectives***

(Ninth Report (interim) tabled in the Senate on April 2, 2008;  
Sessional Paper No. 2/39-502S)

This report describes and compares the efforts of federal, provincial and territorial governments to develop and implement population health policy in Canada. The concept of population health was elaborated in Canada in 1974 with the Lalonde report; it then evolved from a focus on improving overall health status to an emphasis on reducing health disparities. Both the federal and provincial/territorial governments have devoted considerable attention to population health. However, there is no national plan in Canada to reduce health disparities and improve overall population health status. The Subcommittee on Population Health was particularly interested in identifying the actions that would have to be taken by the federal government to implement a population health policy.

In its 13 chapters, this report deals with the efforts of the federal, provincial and territorial governments to develop and implement population health policy. Chapter 1 reviews the efforts of the federal government, while chapters 2 through 12 summarize those undertaken in each province and the territories. Finally, Chapter 13 provides a comparative review of the approaches used to develop and implement population health policy in the various jurisdictions in Canada.

### ***Population Health Policy: Issues & Options***

(Tenth Report (interim) tabled in the Senate on April 2, 2008;  
Sessional Paper No. 2/39-503S)

This report on issues and options was developed on the basis of the findings and observations of the three phase one reports; it marked the start of the second phase of the Subcommittee's work. Its purpose was to: outline the major issues facing the development of population health policy in Canada; present policy options to a) improve overall health status and b) reduce health disparities; and launch a public debate on the role of the federal government in the development and implementation of population health policy.

### ***Mobilizing Science and Technology to Canada's Advantage***

(Sixteenth Report (interim) tabled in the Senate on April 30, 2008;  
Sessional Paper No. 2/39-566S)

This report summarized the evidence received by the committee regarding science and technology strategy and identified key issues that were crucial to ensuring its success. In particular, the committee recommended that the government and the science community now need to move forward with urgency to implement the strategy in order to maintain and improve Canada's scientific competitiveness. Commercialisation is important, but the government should also recognise that scientific education and discovery is important in its own right, and has inherent value to Canadian society.

In implementing the strategy, the committee recommended that the government should consider in particular the need to: fund research across a range of disciplines; enhance scholarship and research grants programs to attract and retain world-class students and researchers; increase funding for the indirect costs of research; and ensure that Canada has intellectual property policies, and adequate venture capital funds to allow Canadian research to be commercialised in Canada, eventually forming profitable research-performing Canadian companies.

***Poverty, Housing and Homelessness: Issues and Options***  
(Seventeenth Report (interim) tabled in the Senate on June 26, 2008;  
Sessional Paper No. 2/39-698S)

In this report, the Subcommittee on Cities identified the challenges confronting Canada, its large urban centres, and the women, men, and children living in them, including those living with low income and coping with exclusion, and those in government and civil society labouring to help them. These challenges were framed as issues, followed by proposed solutions or options, some from the subcommittee's witnesses and some gathered from other analyses and research.

At this stage, the subcommittee had not formulated a preference for any option; rather, it was the subcommittee's hope that setting out issues and options would provoke further thought and discussion. When this process is complete, the subcommittee plans to table a report with concluding observations and recommendations designed to achieve the goals of more resilient, dynamic, and robust cities and a better life for all who live in them.

**Standing Committee on Transport and Communications**

***Time for a New National Vision: Opportunities  
and Constraints for Canada in the Global Movement of Goods***  
(Seventh Report (final) tabled in the Senate on June 10, 2008;  
Sessional Paper No. 2/39-630S)

The Standing Senate Committee on Transport and Communications has focused its efforts on an in-depth examination of the Canadian container transportation system. The committee began its hearings in June 2006 and completed its study in April 2008. With Asia's largest market on one end, and North America's largest market on the other, China to Chicago is a very important trade route for containerized traffic. With Canada's ports strategically positioned to handle this traffic flow, the committee decided to examine the present constraints in the system as well as how these could be addressed in order to take advantage of future market possibilities.

In its report, the committee offers a number of recommendations for the federal government and system stakeholders for improving container transportation in Canada. These include:

- the establishment of a National Gateway Council to bring together the players in the container transportation system and governments from across the country to enhance communications, bring efficiencies to the system and market Canada's transportation system to the world;
- enhancing the level of service provided by the railroads to shippers;
- provisions for improving trucking transportation including the use of new technologies as well as harmonizing trucking regulations across the country;
- increasing the supply of containers to Canadian shippers;
- broadening the scope to Canada's port authority policy;
- incentives to support the growth of shortsea shipping;
- provision for improving the environment;
- actions to improve labour relations, and enhance labour training programs; and
- increased funding for port, gateway and inland terminal projects to provide increased capacity to handle future growth in the container transportation industry.

The committee believes that this will lead to a more competitive container freight transportation system and allow Canada to play a more important role in the international container supply chain.

## Part II – Committee Profiles 2008-2009

### Standing Committee on Aboriginal Peoples

#### A. General Information

In the fiscal year 2008-2009, the committee received three orders of reference, two for legislation, the other for a special study. On February 25, 2009, the committee received an order of reference 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 focused on the implementation of comprehensive land claims agreements in Canada. As of the end of March, 2009, the committee had held 11 meetings and heard 40 witnesses in the course of its study.

On the legislative front, Bill C-292, An Act to implement the Kelowna Accord, was reported without amendment on April 28, 2008, having been referred to the committee on December 11, 2007. On May 27, 2008, the committee received an order of reference to examine Bill C-30, An Act to establish the Specific Claims Tribunal and to make consequential amendments to other Acts. It reported this bill without amendment on June 3, 2008. On June 18, 2008, Bill C-34, An Act to give effect to the Tsawwassen First Nation Final Agreement and to make consequential amendments to other Acts, was referred to the committee. It was reported without amendment on June 26, 2008.

#### B. Reports to the Senate in 2008-2009\*

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament</b>				
Third	Matters generally relating to the Aboriginal Peoples of Canada	2008-04-15	-	Budget
Fourth	Bill C-292 (Kelowna Accord)	2008-04-29	9	Bill reported without amendment
Fifth	Matters generally relating to the Aboriginal Peoples of Canada	2008-05-15	51	Interim report entitled <i>Honouring the Spirit of Modern Treaties: Closing the Loopholes</i>

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- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2005-2009) 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 2008-2009.

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament (cont'd)</b>				
Sixth	Bill C-30 (Specific Claims Tribunal)	2008-06-03	8	Bill reported without amendment
Seventh	Bill C-34 (Tsawwassen First Nation)	2008-06-26	2	Bill reported without amendment
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament</b>				
First	Rule 104	2009-02-24	-	Expenses from the previous session
Second	Matters generally relating to the Aboriginal Peoples of Canada	2009-03-12	-	Budget

**C. Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2005-2009**

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Meeting Hours	No. of Fact-Finding Hours	No. of Witnesses	No. of Reports
2008-09	21	34.8	-	64	7
2007-08	15	21.0	19.8	43	5
2006-07	30	46.8	20.2	101	6
2005-06	25	49.5	-	132	3
2004-05	19	26.5	29.4	64	5

**D. Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2008-2009**

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	\$3,673
Witness Expenses:	<u>\$6,728</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$10,401</b>

**E. Committee Membership for Fiscal Year 2008-2009**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(\* Indicates ex officio members)

Chair:

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

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Nick G. Sibbeston (Liberal)

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

The Honourable Senators Campbell, Dallaire, Dyck, Gill, Gustafson, \*Hervieux-Payette, P.C. (or Tardif), Hubley, \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Comeau), Lovelace Nicholas, Peterson, Segal, Sibbeston and St. Germain, P.C.

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Cowan, Nolin, Stratton, Tkachuk, and Watt

Committee Clerk:

Marcy Zlotnick

Analysts and Administrative Support:

Tonina Simeone and Mary Hurley (Library of Parliament)

Nicole Raymond (until January 2008) and Lucy Laflamme (since February 2008) (Administrative Assistants)

**2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(as of February 10, 2009)

Chair:

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

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Nick G. Sibbeston (Liberal)

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

The Honourable Senators Brazeau, Brown, Campbell, Carstairs, P.C., \*Cowan (or Tardif), Dyck, Hubley, Lang, \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Comeau), Lovelace Nicholas, Peterson, Raine, Sibbeston and St. Germain, P.C.

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Banks, Fairbairn, P.C., Grafstein, Munson and Watt

Committee Clerk:

Gaëtane Lemay

Analysts and Administrative Support:

Tonina Simeone and Mary Hurley (Library of Parliament)

and Tracy Amendola (Administrative Assistant)

## Standing Committee on Agriculture and Forestry

### A. General Information

During the 2008-2009 fiscal year, the Standing Senate Committee on Agriculture and Forestry finished its study on rural poverty in Canada. The committee tabled its final report: *Beyond Freefall: Halting Rural Poverty* in June 2008. The report reflects the views provided to the committee from expert witnesses and rural Canadians in every province and territory. The report made 68 recommendations aimed at reducing rural poverty and rural decline in Canada and increasing the federal government policy commitment to rural issues.

In the spring of 2008, the committee undertook a new study looking into the factors behind the large increase in farm input prices in the previous year. The report on the findings of the committee, "*Growing*" Costs for Canadian Farmers, was tabled in June.

The report highlighted factors such as high energy prices, weather-related events in some parts of the world that reduced crop yields, increasing demand from Asian countries and the growth of ethanol production, as well as domestic institutional factors, such as regulations. The report included seven recommendations that addressed ways of helping farmers to cope with global factors through farm programs, while also asking the federal government to review domestic regulatory issues that potentially further exacerbate the effect of the global factors.

Towards the end of the fiscal year, the committee began a new study into the forestry industry in Canada.

### B. Reports to the Senate in 2008-2009\*

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament</b>				
Sixth	The present state and future of agriculture and forestry in Canada	2008-04-15	-	Budget
Seventh	Rural poverty in Canada	2008-04-15	-	Budget
Eighth	The present state and future of agriculture and forestry in Canada	2008-06-12	45	Interim report entitled: " <i>Growing</i> " Costs for Canadian Farmers
Ninth	Rural poverty in Canada	2008-06-16	69	Final report entitled: <i>Beyond Freefall: Halting Rural Poverty</i>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament</b>				
First	Rule 104	2009-02-12	-	Expenses from the previous session

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**C. Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2005-2009**

<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>
2008-09	19	28.1	-	38	5
2007-08	38	73.8	-	172	6
2006-07	59	109.3	18.4	213	8
2005-06	10	12.4	-	27	4
2004-05	23	37.1	29.5	66	5

**D. Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2008-2009**

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	\$11,925
Witness Expenses:	\$9,748
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$21,673</b>

**E. Committee Membership for Fiscal Year 2008-2009****2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(\* Indicates ex officio members)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Joyce Fairbairn, P.C. (Liberal)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Leonard J. Gustafson (Conservative)

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

The Honourable Senators Bacon, Baker, P.C., Callbeck, Cowan, Fairbairn, P.C., Gustafson, \*Hervieux-Payette, P.C. (or Tardif), \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Comeau), Mahovlich, Mercer, Peterson, Segal and St. Germain, P.C.

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Biron, Campbell, Eyton, Chaput, Nolin, and Oliver

Committee Clerk:

Jessica Richardson

Analysts and Administrative Support:

Marc-André Pigeon and Marc Leblanc (Library of Parliament)

Lyne Héroux (Administrative Assistant)



**2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(as of February 10, 2009)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Percy Mockler (Conservative)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Joyce Fairbairn, P.C. (Liberal)

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

The Honourable Senators Baker, P.C., Callbeck, \*Cowan (or Tardif), Duffy, Eaton, Fairbairn, P.C., Housakos, \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Comeau), Lovelace Nicholas, Mahovlich, Mercer, Milne, Mockler and Rivard

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Cordy, Meighen, Munson, Poulin, and Tkachuk

Committee Clerk:

Josée Therien

Analysts and Administrative Support:

Frédéric Forge and Mathieu Frigon (Library of Parliament)

Nicole Raymond (Administrative Assistant)

## Standing Committee on Banking, Trade and Commerce

### A. General Information

During the period of 2008-2009, the committee worked on two special studies:

- examination of those elements dealing with the Competition Act (Part 12) contained in Bill C-10, the Budget Implementation Act, 2009; and
- the credit and debit card systems in Canada and their relative rates and fees, in particular for businesses and consumers.

### B. Reports to the Senate in 2008-2009\*

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament</b>				
Sixth	The present state of the domestic and international financial system	2008-04-15	-	Budget
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament</b>				
First	Rule 104	2009-02-26	-	Expenses from the previous session

### C. Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2005-2009

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Meeting Hours	No. of Fact-Finding Hours	No. of Witness	No. of Reports
2008-09	22	43.0	-	98	2
2007-08	31	56.2	-	121	11
2006-07	36	70.6	25	153	14
2005-06	27	55.5	-	107	11
2004-05	29	44.6	-	107	8

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- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2005-2009) 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 2008-2009.

**D. Expenditures For Fiscal Year 2008-2009**

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	\$13,714
Witnesses Expenses:	<del>\$9,484</del>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,198</b>

**E. Committee Membership for Fiscal Year 2008-2009**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(\* Indicates ex officio members)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator W. David Angus (Conservative)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Yoine Goldstein (Liberal)

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

The Honourable Senators Angus, Biron, Cowan, Eyton, Fitzpatrick, Goldstein, Grafstein, Harb, \*Hervieux-Payette, P.C. (or Tardif), \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Comeau), Massicotte, Meighen, Ringuette and Tkachuk

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Banks, Corbin, Dawson, De Bané, P.C., Fox, Gustafson, Jaffer, Johnson, Lapointe, Moore, Nancy Ruth, Nolin, Prud'homme, P.C., and Spivak

Committee Clerk:

Line Gravel

Analysts and Administrative Support:

June Dewetering and Philippe Bergevin (Library of Parliament)  
Matthieu Boulianne (Administrative Assistant)

**2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(as of February 10, 2009)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Michael A. Meighen (Conservative)

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), Eyton, Fox, P.C., Gerstein, Goldstein, Greene, Harb, Hervieux-Payette, P.C., \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Comeau), Massicotte, Meighen, Moore, Oliver and Ringuette

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Banks, Duffy, Hubley, and Tkachuk

Committee Clerk:  
Line Gravel

Analysts and Administrative Support:  
Marc-André Pigeon (Library of Parliament)  
Louise Pronovost (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. 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 2008-2009\*

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament</b>				
Third	Matters relating to the <i>Conflict of Interest Code for Senators</i>	2008-04-15	-	Budget
Fourth	Matters relating to the <i>Conflict of Interest Code for Senators</i>	2008-05-28	-	Adoption of an <i>amended</i> Conflict of Interest Code for Senators

### C. Activities of the Committee

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Meeting Hours	No. of Witnesses	No. of Reports
2008-09	9	9.2	-	2
2007-08	7	7.4	-	2
2006-07	3	1.4	-	1
2005-06	6	15.4	-	-

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**D. Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2008-2009**  
**(For more details see Part III of this report)**

Budget Expenditures:	\$915
Witness Expenses:	NIL
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$915</b>

**E. Committee Membership for Fiscal Year 2008-2009**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(\* Indicates ex officio members)

Chair:

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

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Raynell Andreychuk (Conservative)

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

The Honourable Senators Andreychuk, Angus, Carstairs, P.C., Joyal, P.C. and Robichaud, P.C.

Committee Clerk:

Blair Armitage

Analyst and Administrative Support:

Michel Bédard (Library of Parliament)

Denine Martin (Administrative Assistant)

**2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(as of February 10, 2009)

Chair:

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

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Raynell Andreychuk (Conservative)

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

The Honourable Senators Andreychuk, Angus, Carstairs, P.C., Joyal, P.C. and Robichaud, P.C.

Committee Clerk:

Blair Armitage

Analyst and Administrative Support:

Michel Bédard (Library of Parliament)

Denine Martin (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.

In the spring of 2008, the committee conducted a study of the western Arctic (adaptation to climate change, economic developments such as the Mackenzie River pipeline, sovereignty). The committee met with Natural Resources Canada officials, among others, to discuss their report entitled *From Impacts to Adaptation: Canada in a Changing Climate 2007*. The committee focused on the conclusions of the report, including that the most significant warming has occurred in the western Arctic, the polar ice cap has receded and the number of days of snow cover per year has decreased. The committee went on a fact-finding mission to Yellowknife, Norman Wells, Inuvik, Tuktoyaktuk and Whitehorse and expects to present its report in the coming session of Parliament.

Under its general mandate, the committee welcomed again the Commissioner of Environment and Sustainable Development, who appeared on his December 2008 report, which was tabled in Parliament on February 5, 2009. The committee also had a briefing on the subject of cap and trade.

The committee examined six bills during the 2008-2009, fiscal year:

- Bill C-33, An Act to amend the Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999
- Bill C-474, An Act to require the development and implementation of a Federal Sustainable Development Strategy and the development of goals and targets with respect to sustainable development in Canada, and to make consequential amendments to another act
- Bill S-206, An Act to amend the Food and Drugs Act (clean drinking water)
- Bill C-298, An Act to add perfluorooctane sulfonate (PFOS) and its salts to the Virtual Elimination List under the Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999
- Bill S-216, An Act to amend the Federal Sustainable Development Act and the Auditor General Act (involvement of Parliament)
- Bill S-3, An Act to amend the Energy Efficiency Act

The committee also heard witnesses and reported on proposed user fees relating to the Explosives Regulatory Division of Natural Resources Canada.

**B. Reports to the Senate in 2008-2009\***

<b>Report Number</b>	<b>Order of Reference</b>	<b>Date Y-M-D</b>	<b>No. of Witnesses</b>	<b>Content</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament</b>				
Seventh	Bill C-298 (Perfluorooctane Sulfonate Virtual Elimination Act)	2008-04-10	6	Bill reported without amendment
Eighth	Emerging Issues	2008-04-17	-	Budget
Ninth	Emerging Issues	2008-06-11	25	Interim Report entitled <i>Sustainable Development: A Report Card</i>
Tenth	Bill S-206, (Food and Drugs Act -clean drinking water)	2008-06-26	15	Bill reported without amendment
Eleventh	Bill C-474 (Development and implementation of a Federal Sustainable Development Strategy)	2008-06-26	1	Bill reported without amendment but with observations
Twelfth	Bill C-33 (Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999)	2008-06-26	22	Bill reported without amendment but with observations
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament</b>				
First	Rule 104	2009-02-26	-	Expenses from the previous session
Second	Bill S-3 (Energy Efficiency Act)	2009-03-11	3	Bill reported without amendment
Third	Proposed Revision to User Fees	2009-03-12	3	Review
Fourth	Emerging Issues	2009-03-12	-	Budget

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- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2005-2009) 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 2008-2009.



**C. Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2005-2009**

<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>
2008-09	22	44.6	36.0	71	10
2007-08	30	46.0	-	48	9
2006-07	33	53.6	12.0	76	5
2005-06	22	48.7	41.6	70	7
2004-05	31	47.0	14.2	82	7

**D. Expenditures For Fiscal Year 2008-2009**

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	\$133,284
Witness Expenses:	\$8,987
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$142,271</b>

**E. Committee Membership for Fiscal Year 2008-2009**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(\* Indicates ex officio members)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Tommy Banks (Liberal)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Pierre Claude Nolin (Conservative)

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

The Honourable Senators Adams, Banks, Brown, Campbell, Cochrane, \*Hervieux-Payette, P.C. (or Tardif), Kenny, \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Comeau), Milne, Mitchell, Nolin, Sibbeston, Spivak and Trenholme Counsell

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators, Dawson, Grafstein, McCoy, Meighen, and Munson

Committee Clerk:

Éric Jacques

Analysts and Administrative Support:

Lynne Myers, Frédéric Beaugard-Tellier and Sam Banks (Library of Parliament)  
Natalie Lemay-Paquette (Administrative Assistant)

**2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(as of February 10, 2009)

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 Adams, Angus, Banks, \*Cowan (or Tardif), Kenny, Lang, \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Comeau), Merchant, Mitchell, Neufeld, Peterson, Sibbeston, Spivak and St. Germain, P.C.

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Brown, McCoy and Milne

Committee Clerk:

Lynn Gordon

Analysts and Administrative Support:

Marc Leblanc and Sam Banks (Library of Parliament)

Brigitte Martineau (Administrative Assistant)

## Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans

### A. General Information

During the 2008-2009 fiscal year, the committee pursued its study on the federal government's current and evolving policy framework for managing Canada's fisheries and oceans. It focused most of its attention on the new realities of the Arctic. The committee specifically examined the role of the Canadian Coast Guard and the fisheries and marine activities in this region.

### B. Reports to the Senate in 2008-2009\*

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament</b>				
Third	Managing Canada's fisheries and oceans	2008-04-17	-	Budget
Fourth	Managing Canada's fisheries and oceans	2008-06-23	66	Interim report entitled: <i>The Coast Guard in Canada's Arctic</i>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament</b>				
First	Rule 104	2009-03-04	-	Expenses from the previous session

### C. Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2005-2009

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Meeting Hours	No. of Fact-Finding Hours	No. of Witnesses	No. of Reports
2008-09	18	34.4	18.2	51	3
2007-08	15	25.2	-	31	3
2006-07	20	37.2	10.2	57	7
2005-06	15	27.7	16.0	42	2
2004-05	17	22.4	-	34	2

\* In the individual committee profiles:

- Chart B (Reports to the Senate in 2008-2009) includes the number of witnesses who appeared on each order of reference that was reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2008-2009, even if their appearance was in a previous fiscal year.
- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2005-2009) 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 2008-2009.

**D. Expenditures For Fiscal Year 2008-2009**

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	\$215,749
Witness Expenses:	\$2,421
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$218,170</b>

**E. Committee Membership for Fiscal Year 2008-2009**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(\* Indicates ex officio members)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator William Rompkey, P.C. (Liberal)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Ethel M. Cochrane (Conservative)

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

The Honourable Senators Adams, Campbell, Cochrane, Comeau, Cowan, Gill, \*Hervieux-Payette, P.C. (or Tardif), Hubley, Johnson, \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Comeau), Meighen, Robichaud, P.C., Rompkey, P.C. and Watt

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Baker, P.C., Eyton, and Gustafson

Committee Clerk:

Lynn Gordon

Analyst and Administrative Support:

Claude Emery (Library of Parliament)

Louise Pronovost (Administrative Assistant)

**2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(as of February 10, 2009)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator William Rompkey, P.C. (Liberal)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Ethel M. Cochrane (Conservative)

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

The Honourable Senators Adams, Campbell, Cochrane, Cook, \*Cowan (or Tardif), Hubley, Johnson, \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Comeau), MacDonald, Manning, Raine, Robichaud, P.C., Rompkey, P.C. and Watt

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Munson, Peterson and Stratton

Committee Clerk:

Danielle Labonté

Analyst and Administrative Support:

Claude Emery (Library of Parliament)

Louise Archambeault (Administrative Assistant)

## Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade

### A. General Information

According to the *Rules of the Senate*, the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs deals with matters relating to foreign relations generally, including: treaties and international agreements; external trade; foreign aid; defence and territorial and offshore matters. The committee dates from 1938 when the Senate agreed to establish a Committee on External Relations in order to contribute to the debate on the political instability in Europe. On October 30, 2006, the Senate adopted a resolution to change the name of the committee to that of Standing Senate Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade, a name which appropriately reflects the nature and the scope of the work done by the committee over the years, such as special studies on Canada-US Relations (1976-1982), the Free Trade Agreement (1988-1990), NAFTA (1991-1993), NATO (2000) Russia and Ukraine (2002), Africa (2007) and the 2008 Legislative Review of Export Development Canada (2009).

On March 4, 2008 and again on February 24, 2009, the committee received a mandate to study the rise of China, India and Russia in the global economy and the implications for Canadian policy. The main objective of this study is to better understand the high levels of economic growth of these countries in order to formulate concrete recommendations on Canada's policy response. The study is ongoing.

During the 2nd Session of the 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament, the committee considered the 2008 Legislative Review of Export Development Canada. The study is ongoing.

In addition to these special studies, during this fiscal year the committee also dealt with Bill C-293, An Act respecting the provision of official development assistance abroad (2nd Session, Thirty-Ninth Parliament).

### B. Reports to the Senate in 2008-2009\*

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament</b>				
Fourth	Bill C-293 (Provision of official development assistance abroad)	2008-04-03	5	Bill reported without amendment but with observations
Fifth	Foreign relations in general	2008-04-10	-	Budget
Sixth	Study on China, India and Russia	2008-04-17	-	Budget
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament</b>				
First	Rule 104	2009-02-12	-	Expenses from the previous session
Second	Foreign relations in general	2009-03-12	-	Budget

\* In the individual committee profiles:

- Chart B (Reports to the Senate in 2008-2009) includes the number of witnesses who appeared on each order of reference that was reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2008-2009, even if their appearance was in a previous fiscal year.
- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2005-2009) 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 2008-2009.

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament (cont'd)</b>				
Third	Study on China, India and Russia	2009-03-12	-	Budget
Fourth	Review of Export Development Canada	2009-03-12	-	Budget

**C. Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2005-2009**

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Meeting Hours	No. of Fact-Finding Hours	No. of Witnesses	No. of Reports
2008-09	19	30.1	-	41	7
2007-08	26	35.3	-	66	10
2006-07	29	37.3	60.6	56	7
2005-06	21	33.1	69.6	72	6
2004-05	21	30.0	-	80	4

**D. Expenditures For Fiscal Year 2008-2009**

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	\$12,497
Witness Expenses:	<u>\$4,088</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$16,585</b>

**E. Committee Membership for Fiscal Year 2008-2009**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(\* Indicates ex officio members)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Consiglio Di Nino (Conservative)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Peter A. Stollery (Liberal)

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

The Honourable Senators Corbin, Dawson, De Bané, P.C., Di Nino, Downe, \*Hervieux-Payette, P.C. (or Tardif), P.C., Jaffer, Johnson, \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Comeau), Mahovlich, Nolin, Rivest, Smith, P.C. and Stollery

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Cools, Dallaire, Grafstein, Massicotte, Oliver, Peterson and Prud'homme, P.C.

Committee Clerk:

Keli Hogan

Analysts and Administrative Support:

Peter Berg, Allison Goody and Michael Holden (Library of Parliament)  
Monique Régimbald (Administrative Assistant)

**2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(as of February 10, 2009)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Consiglio Di Nino (Conservative)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Peter A. Stollery (Liberal)

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

The Honourable Senators Andreychuk, Corbin, \*Cowan (or Tardif), Dawson, De Bané, P.C., Di Nino, Downe, Fortin-Duplessis, Grafstein, \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Comeau), Mahovlich, Segal, Stollery and Wallin

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Kenny, Kinsella, Prud'homme, P.C., Stratton and Zimmer

Committee Clerk:

Denis Robert

Analysts and Administrative Support:

Natalie Mychajlyszyn and Jennifer Paul (Library of Parliament)  
Sylvie Simard (Administrative Assistant)



## Standing Committee on Human Rights

### **A. General Information**

In June 2008, the Standing Senate Committee on Human Rights released its second report on the United Nations Human Rights Council entitled *Canada and the United Nations Human Rights Council: A Time for Serious Re-evaluation*. In this report, the committee examined the actions of the Human Rights Council in the 2007/2008 year, and assessed various initiatives undertaken by the Canadian government with respect to the Council. Ultimately, the committee concluded that although most of the Council's institution-building mechanisms are now in place, the Council's ongoing and deep politicization may have made it an unworkable mechanism for the promotion of international human rights. The committee accordingly issued a number of recommendations to the Canadian government on how to best maximize its position on the Council, as well as how to help work towards the establishment and maintenance of strong human rights review and protection mechanisms through the Council.

The committee considered three bills in the spring of 2008. On June 10<sup>th</sup>, the committee reported Bill C-280, *An Act to amend the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act (coming into force of sections 110, 111 and 171)* to the Senate with amendment and on June 16, it reported Bill C-21, *An Act to amend the Canadian Human Rights Act* to the Senate without amendment. The committee also held hearings on Bill S-218, *An Act to amend the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act and to enact certain other measures, in order to provide assistance and protection to victims of human trafficking* but did not finish its consideration of the bill.

In March 2009, the committee sought and received a number of orders of reference from the Senate to continue previous studies including: 1) monitoring the implementation of the committee's report "A Hard Bed to lie in: Matrimonial Real Property on Reserve", tabled in the Senate November 4, 2003; 2) monitoring issues relating to human rights and, inter alia, to review the machinery of government dealing with Canada's international and national human rights obligations; 3) to examine issues of discrimination in the hiring and promotion practices of the Federal Public Service, to study the extent to which targets to achieve employment equity are being met, and to examine labour market outcomes for minority groups in the private sector; and 4) to monitor the implementation of recommendations contained in the committee's report entitled "Children: The Silenced Citizens: Effective Implementation of Canada's International Obligations with Respect to the Rights of Children", tabled in the Senate on April 25, 2007. One meeting was held in the 2008-09 fiscal year with respect to the committee's study of discriminatory hiring practices in the federal public service.

**B. Reports to the Senate in 2008-2009\***

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament</b>				
Seventh	Recommendations contained in the committee's report entitled <i>Children: The Silenced Citizens: Effective Implementation of Canada's International Obligations with Respect to the Rights of Children</i>	2008-04-15	-	Budget
Eighth	Examination of government follow up to report of the committee on Matrimonial Property on Reserve	2008-04-15	-	Budget
Ninth	Canada's international national human rights obligations	2008-04-17	-	Budget
Tenth	Alleged discrimination in hiring/promotion practices of Federal Public Service	2008-04-17	-	Budget
Eleventh	Bill C-280 (Immigration and Refugee Protection)	2008-06-10	34	Bill reported with one amendment
Twelfth	Bill C-21 (Canadian Human Rights Act)	2008-06-16	14	Bill reported without amendment
Thirteenth	Canada's international national human rights obligations	2008-06-18	6	Interim report entitled <i>Canada and the United Nations Human Rights Council: A Time for Serious Re-Evaluation</i>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament</b>				
First	Rule 104	2009-02-24	-	Expenses from the previous session

\* In the individual committee profiles:

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- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2005-2009) 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 2008-2009.

**C. Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2005-2009**

<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>
2008-09	14	33.1	-	78	8
2007-08	16	28.7	25.6	63	10
2006-07	24	58.3	13.6	125	9
2005-06	18	38.9	41.0	101	3
2004-05	14	22.1	27.0	46	16

**D. Expenditures For Fiscal Year 2008-2009**

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	\$4,311
Witness Expenses:	\$6,298
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$10,609</b>

**E. Committee Membership for Fiscal Year 2008-2009**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(\* Indicates ex officio members)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Raynell Andreychuk (Conservative)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Mobina Jaffer (Liberal)

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

The Honourable Senators Andreychuk, Dallaire, \*Hervieux-Payette, P.C. (or Tardif), Jaffer, Kinsella, \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Comeau), Lovelace Nicholas, Munson, Oliver, Pépin and Poy

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Cowan, Di Nino, Goldstein, Nancy Ruth, Nolin, Phalen, Ringuette, Stratton and Trenholme Counsell

Committee Clerk:

Jessica Richardson

Analyst and Administrative Support:

Laura Barnett (Library of Parliament)  
Lyne Héroux (Administrative Assistant)

**2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(as of February 10, 2009)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Raynell Andreychuk (Conservative)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Mobina Jaffer (Liberal)

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

The Honourable Senators Andreychuk, Brazeau, \*Cowan (or Tardif), Dallaire, Goldstein, Jaffer,  
\*LeBreton, P.C. (or Comeau), Nancy Ruth, Martin, P  pin and Poy

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Munson, Spivak and Stratton

Committee Clerk:

Adam Thompson

Analyst and Administrative Support:

Julian Walker (Library of Parliament)  
Debbie Larocque (Administrative Assistant)

## Standing Committee on Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration

### A. General Information

The Standing Committee on Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration 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 budget expenditures. It also presents the Estimates of the Senate for approval. Under the *Rules of the Senate*, this committee is authorized to carry out its mandate on its own initiative rather than being dependent on an order of reference from the Senate.

### B. Reports to the Senate in 2008-2009\*

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament</b>				
Fifth	Article 86 (g)	2008-04-10	-	Funds to be released for fiscal year 2008-2009
Sixth	Article 86 (g)	2008-04-17	-	Funds to be released for fiscal year 2008-2009
Seventh	Article 86 (g)	2008-05-14	-	Funds to be released for fiscal year 2008-2009
Eighth	Article 86 (g)	2008-05-29	-	Funds to be released for fiscal year 2008-2009
Ninth	Article 86 (g)	2008-05-29	-	Salary Increase for Senior Managers
Tenth	Article 86 (g)	2008-06-17	-	Funds to be released for fiscal year 2008-2009
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament</b>				
First	Rule 104	2009-02-26	-	Expenses from the previous session
Second	Article 86 (g)	2009-02-26	-	Senate Main Estimates 2009-2010
Third	Article 86 (g)	2009-03-12	-	Funds to be released for fiscal year 2009-2010

\* In the individual committee profiles:

- Chart B (Reports to the Senate in 2008-2009) includes the number of witnesses who appeared on each order of reference that was reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2008-2009, even if their appearance was in a previous fiscal year.
- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2005-2009) 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 2008-2009.

**C. Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2005-2009**

<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>
2008-09	11	9.5	3	9
2007-08	12	14.9	-	8
2006-07	18	33.9	2	14
2005-06	14	20.0	8	6
2004-05	15	18.4	2	8

**D. Expenditures For Fiscal Year 2008-2009**

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	\$1,202
Witness Expenses:	NIL
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,202</b>

**E. Committee Membership for Fiscal Year 2008-2009****2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(\* Indicates ex officio members)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator George Furey (Liberal)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Terry Stratton (Conservative)

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

The Honourable Senators Comeau, Cook, Cowan, Downe, Furey, Goldstein, \*Hervieux-Payette, P.C., (or Tardif), Jaffer, Kinsella, \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Comeau), Massicotte, Nancy Ruth, Phalen, Prud'homme, P.C., Robichaud, P.C., Stollery and Stratton

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Biron, Dawson, Kenny, Mitchell, Moore, Nolin, and Tardif

Committee Clerk:

Paul C. Bélisle (Clerk of the Senate)

Administrative Support to the Internal Economy Secretariat:

Lucie Lavoie and Rachelle Parisien

Internal Economy Secretariat:

Lucie Lavoie and Julie Côté

**2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(as of February 10, 2009)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator George Furey (Liberal)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator David Tkachuk (Conservative)

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

The Honourable Senators Comeau, Cordy, \*Cowan (or Tardif), Dawson, Downe, Furey, Greene, Jaffer, Kinsella, \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Comeau), MacDonald, Massicotte, Munson, Rivard, Robichaud, P.C., Stollery and Tkachuk

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Cook, Hubley, Mitchell, Prud'homme, P.C., and Tardif

Committee Clerk:

Paul C. Bélisle (Clerk of the Senate)

Administrative Support to the Internal Economy Secretariat:

Lucie Lavoie and Rachelle Parisien

## Standing Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs

### A. General Information

The vast majority of this committee's work is in considering legislation. During this fiscal year, the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee studied the following bills:

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament

- Bill S-210, An Act to amend the Criminal Code (Suicide bombings)
- Bill S-224, An Act to amend the Parliament of Canada Act (vacancies)
- Bill S-209, An Act to amend the Criminal Code (protection of children)
- Bill C-31, An Act to amend the Judges Act
- Bill S-225, An Act to amend the State Immunity Act and the Criminal Code (detering terrorism by providing a civil right of action against perpetrators and sponsors of terrorism)

The committee was able to complete its study and report on all of these bills within the fiscal year, with the exception of Bill S-225, which died on the dissolution of the 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament. The committee also concluded its review of the amendments made by *An Act to amend the Canada Elections Act and the Income Tax Act*, begun in the previous fiscal year.

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament

The committee began the session undertaking two statutory reviews. First, it conducted a review of *An Act to amend the National Defence Act (court martial)* which had been passed in June 2008 as Bill C-60. Once it had finished hearing from witnesses on this order of reference and while work began on its report, the committee commenced its review of the *D.N.A. Identification Act* which is ongoing.

The committee did not consider any legislation during this session prior to the end of the fiscal year.

### B. Reports to the Senate in 2008-2009\*

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament</b>				
Ninth	Review of the amendments made by An Act to amend the Canada Elections Act	2008-04-15	-	Budget
Tenth	Bill S-210 (Criminal Code - suicide bombings).	2008-04-17	11	Bill reported without amendment
Eleventh	Amendments of the Canada Elections Act	2008-05-08	3	Review

\* In the individual committee profiles:

- Chart B (Reports to the Senate in 2008-2009) includes the number of witnesses who appeared on each order of reference that was reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2008-2009, even if their appearance was in a previous fiscal year.
- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2005-2009) 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 2008-2009.



Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament (cont'd)</b>				
Twelfth	Bill S-224 (vacancies)	2008-05-08	13	Bill reported without amendment
Thirteenth	Bill C-31 (Judges Act)	2008-06-12	13	Bill reported without amendment
Fourteenth	Bill S-209 ( Criminal Code – protection of children)	2008-06-12	14	Bill reported without amendment
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament</b>				
First	Rule 104	2009-02-12	-	Expenses from the previous session
Second	National Defence Act (court martial)	2009-03-12	-	Budget
Third	DNA Identification Act	2009-03-12	-	Budget

**C. Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2005-2009**

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Meeting Hours	No. of Witnesses	No. of Reports
2008-09	28	48.2	74	9
2007-08	44	91.9	171	12
2006-07	62	153.8	231	10
2005-06	35	76.8	106	9
2004-05	29	35.2	51	10

**D. Expenditures For Fiscal Year 2008-2009**

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	\$7,773
Witness Expenses:	<u>\$21,641</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$29,414</b>

**E. Committee Membership for Fiscal Year 2008-2009**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(\* Indicates ex officio members)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Joan Fraser (Liberal)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Raynell Andreychuk (Conservative)

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

The Honourable Senators Andreychuk, Baker, P.C., Bryden, Carstairs, P.C., Di Nino, Fraser, Furey, \*Hervieux-Payette, P.C (or Tardif), Joyal, P.C., \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Comeau), Milne, Oliver, Stratton and Watt

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Adams, Banks, Campbell, Cochrane, Cowan, Grafstein, Gustafson, Hervieux-Payette, P.C., Mercer, Merchant, Moore, Murray, P.C., Peterson, Phalen, Robichaud, P.C., Tardif and Tkachuk

Committee Clerk:

Adam Thompson

Analyst and Administrative Support:

Margaret Young (Library of Parliament)  
Nicole Raymond (Administrative Assistants)

**2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(as of February 10, 2009)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Joan Fraser (Liberal)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Pierre Claude Nolin (Conservative)

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

The Honourable Senators Angus, Baker, P.C., Bryden, Campbell, \*Cowan (or Tardif), Dickson, Fraser, Joyal, P.C., \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Comeau), Milne, Nolin, Rivest, Wallace and Watt

Other Senator who participated in the work of the Committee:

The Honourable Senator Stratton

Committee Clerk:

Jessica Richardson

Analyst and Administrative Support:

Jennifer Bird (Library of Parliament)  
Lyne Héroux (Administrative Assistants)

## 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 became 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)(i)), the committee has a mandate to examine matters relating 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 during the fiscal year 2008-2009 (which spanned the 39<sup>th</sup> and 40<sup>th</sup> Parliaments), was focused 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 2008-2009, including the *Supplementary Estimates (A), (B) and (C) 2008-2009*. During these examinations, a range of issues was brought to the attention of the Senate by the committee.

As part of their examination of the 2008-2009 Main Estimates, the committee heard from witnesses about matters affecting the management of the federal Public Service. The committee also held several meetings as a result of interest in the status of the appointment and role of officers and agents of Parliament created or modified by the Federal Accountability Act. The committee also examined federal expenditures on infrastructure and related activities, including the participation of federal regional development agencies in the delivery of infrastructure funding.

As part of its examination of the 2009-2010 Main Estimates, the committee heard from the Treasury Board Secretariat about a number of significant changes in the 2009-2010 Estimates and several initiatives of the federal government, including the new central vote: Treasury Board Vote 35 – Budget Implementation Vote. In addition to their presentation, the officials responded to the committee's initial enquiries about the government's planned spending for the new fiscal year and also provided written responses at a later date. The details of the Interim Supply Bill were made available for the committee's consideration before end of March 2009. Three bills were also reported by the committee during the 2008-2009 fiscal year:

- S-219, An Act to amend the Public Service Employment Act (elimination of bureaucratic patronage and establishment of national area of selection) – Reported with amendment
- C-50, An Act to implement certain provisions of the budget tabled in Parliament on February 26, 2008 and to enact provisions to reserve the fiscal plan set out in that budget – reported with observations (further to a study of the subject matter of Bill C-50)
- C-10, An Act implement certain provisions of the budget tabled in Parliament on January 27, 2009 and related fiscal measures) – reported without amendment

With respect to C-10, following its adoption, the committee was asked by the Senate to continue to examine a number of its elements. This continued examination was begun in 2008-2009, but not completed until the next fiscal year.

**B. Reports to the Senate in 2008-2009\***

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament</b>				
Eleventh	Bill S-219 (Elimination of bureaucratic patronage)	2008-04-03	4	Bill reported with one amendment
Twelfth	Estimates 2008-09	2008-04-08	5	Interim Report entitled <i>Human Resources Management Issues in the Public Service</i>
Thirteenth	Estimates 2008-09	2008-05-28	29	Interim Report entitled <i>The Officers and Agents of Parliament created or modified under the Federal Accountability Act</i>
Fourteenth	Supplementary Estimates (A) 2008-09	2008-06-04	2	Review
Fifteenth	Estimates 2008-09	2008-06-04	-	Review
Sixteenth	Estimates 2008-09	2008-06-11	-	Interim report entitled <i>Infrastructure Programs and Regional Development Agencies</i>
Seventeenth	Bill C-50 (Implement certain provisions of the budget)	2008-06-12	-	Bill reported without amendment but with observations
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament</b>				
First	Rule 104	2009-02-12	-	Expenses from the previous session
Second	Supplementary Estimates (B) 2008-09	2009-02-26	8	Review
Third	Supplementary Estimates (C) 2008-09	2009-03-05	9	Review
Fourth	Main Estimates 2009-10	2009-03-12	2	Interim Report on 2009-10 Main Estimates
Fifth	Bill C-10 (Budget Implementation Act, 2009)	2009-03-12	15	Bill reported without amendment

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- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2005-2009) 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 2008-2009.

**C. Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2005-2009**

<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>
2008-09	31	56.2	-	126	12
2007-08	35	64.3	-	129	15
2006-07	32	53.1	-	82	13
2005-06	28	50.0	27.0	77	12
2004-05	26	43.8	-	68	8

**D. Expenditures For Fiscal Year 2008-2009**

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	\$5,162
Witness Expenses:	\$5,011
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$10,173</b>

**E. Committee Membership for Fiscal Year 2008-2009**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(\* Indicates ex officio members)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Joseph A. Day (Liberal)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Terry Stratton (Conservative)

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

The Honourable Senators Biron, Cowan, Day, De Bané, P.C, Di Nino, Eggleton, P.C, \*Hervieux-Payette, P.C. (or Tardif), \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Comeau), Mitchell, Moore, Murray, P.C., Nancy Ruth, Ringuette and Stratton

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Chaput, Fox, Massicotte, Nolin, Oliver, Peterson, Tardif and Tkachuk

Committee Clerk:

Lynn Gordon

Analysts and Administrative Support:

Guy Beaumier and Jean Dupuis (Library of Parliament)  
Louise Pronovost (Administrative Assistant)

**2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(as of February 10, 2009)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Joseph A. Day (Liberal)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Irving Gerstein (Conservative)

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

The Honourable Senators Callbeck, Chaput, \*Cowan (or Tardif), Day, De Bané, P.C., Di Nino, Eggleton, P.C., Gerstein, \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Comeau), Mitchell, Nancy Ruth, Neufeld, Prud'homme, P.C. and Ringuette

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Banks, Fox, Greene, Hubley, McCoy, Meighen, Murray, P.C., Oliver, Peterson, Rivard, Spivak and Stratton

Committee Clerk:

Adam Thompson

Analysts and Administrative Support:

Guy Beaumier (Library of Parliament)

Natalie Lemay Paquette (Administrative Assistant)

## Standing Committee on National Security and Defence

### A. General Information

The Standing Senate Committee on National Security and Defence was created in early 2001.

After conducting an introductory survey of the major security and defence issues facing Canada, the committee concluded that there was an urgent need for a national security policy and this became the basis for subsequent orders of reference. Four broad areas of study were included in the mandate: the capabilities of the Departments of National Defence and Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness; the working relationships between various agencies involved in intelligence gathering and analysis; the mechanisms to review the agencies involved in intelligence gathering; and the security of borders and critical infrastructure.

This past fiscal year, following a fact-finding mission to Afghanistan, the committee focused its work plan on the state of the Canadian Forces, producing three substantive reports on this area of study. The committee also examined the state of emergency preparedness in Canada, with a particular emphasis on the ability of municipal first responders in dealing with various emergencies across Canada. In the new session, the committee undertook a study on border security issues with a plan to visit various border crossings across the Canada-US border.

### B. Reports to the Senate in 2008-2009\*

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament</b>				
Fifth	Bill C-40 (Canada Labour Code)	2008-04-16	10	Bill reported without amendment but with observation
Sixth	National security policy for Canada	2008-05-29	-	Budget
Seventh	Bill C-287 (National Peacekeepers' Day)	2008-06-10	4	Bill reported without amendment but with observation
Eighth	Services and benefits provided to veterans in recognition of their services to Canada	2008-06-10	-	Budget
Ninth	National security policy for Canada	2008-06-10	11	Interim report entitled: <i>How Are We Doing in Afghanistan? Canadians Need to Know</i>

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- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2005-2009) 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 2008-2009.

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament (cont'd)</b>				
Tenth	Services and benefits provided to veterans in recognition of their services to Canada	2008-06-18	19	Interim report entitled: <i>Report on Reductions of Services Income Security Insurance Plan Long Term Disability Benefits</i>
Eleventh	National security policy for Canada	2008-08-05	6	Interim report entitled: <i>Four Generals and an Admiral: The View from the Top</i>
Twelfth	National security policy for Canada	2008-08-11	11	Interim report entitled <i>Bringing Our Wounded Home Safely</i>
Thirteenth	National security policy for Canada	2008-08-29	18	Interim report entitled <i>Emergency Preparedness In Canada</i>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament</b>				
First	Rule 104	2009-03-03	-	Expenses from the previous session
Second	Bill S-2 (Customs Act)	2009-03-31	10	Bill reported with one amendment

**C. Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2005-2009**

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Meeting Hours	No. of Fact-Finding Hours	No. of Witnesses	No. of Reports
2008-09	15	60.0	44.5	26	11
2007-08	18	68.7	114.0	71	7
2006-07	25	111.4	198.0	77	13
2005-06	24	100.8	119.2	82	8
2004-05	49	159.5	12.8	217	7

**D. Expenditures For Fiscal Year 2008-2009**

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	\$100,508
Witness Expenses:	<u>\$1,793</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$102,301</b>



**E. Committee Membership for Fiscal Year 2008-2009**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(\* Indicates ex officio members)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Colin Kenny (Liberal)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator David Tkachuk (Conservative)

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

The Honourable Senators Atkins, Banks, Day, \*Hervieux-Payette, P.C. (or Tardif), Kenny, \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Comeau), Meighen, Moore, Nancy Ruth, Tkachuk and Zimmer

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Comeau, Mitchell, Munson, Peterson, Segal and Stollery

Committee Clerks:

Gaëtane Lemay and Shaila Anwar

Analysts and Administrative Support:

Steven James, Jason Yung, Melissa Radford and Maureen Shields (Library of Parliament)  
Anita Vinette and Allison Button (Administrative Assistants)

**2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(as of February 10, 2009)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Colin Kenny (Liberal)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Pamela Wallin (Conservative)

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

The Honourable Senators Banks, \*Cowan (or Tardif), Day, Kenny, \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Comeau), Manning, Meighen, Moore, Tkachuk, Wallin and Zimmer

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Atkins, Lang, Martin, Mitchell and Nolin

Committee Clerk:

Shaila Anwar

Analysts and Administrative Support:

Allison Goody, Maureen Shields (Library of Parliament)  
Allison Button and Lucy Laflamme (Administrative Assistants)

## Subcommittee on Veterans Affairs

### A. General Information

This subcommittee is empowered to examine the services and benefits provided to members of the Canadian Forces, veterans of war and peacekeeping missions and members of their families in recognition of their services to Canada. The subcommittee also examines the issues of sustainability in commemorative activities undertaken by the Department of Veterans Affairs to keep alive for all Canadians the memory of veterans' achievements and sacrifices. During this fiscal year, the subcommittee continued its study on veterans' services and benefits, commemorative activities and the New Veterans Charter.

In June 2008, after hearing from witnesses, the subcommittee adopted a report on the reductions of the Services Income Security Insurance Plan Long Term Disability Benefits, recommending that the government cease the practice immediately.

### B. Reports to the Senate in 2008-2009\*

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

### C. Activities of the Subcommittee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2005-2009

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Meeting Hours	No. of Fact-Finding Hours	No. of Witnesses
2008-09	6	6.7	36.0	15
2007-08	12	12.8	36.0	22
2006-07	8	8.4	6.9	22
2005-06	1	1.0	-	-
2004-05	5	4.3	3.0	9

### D. Expenditures For Fiscal Year 2008-2009

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	\$2,078
Witness Expenses:	<u>\$3,125</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$5,203</b>

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**E. Subcommittee Membership for Fiscal Year 2008-2009**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(\* Indicates ex officio members)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Michael Meighen (Conservative)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Joseph Day (Liberal)

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

The Honourable Senators Banks, Day, Kenny, Meighen and Nancy Ruth

Other Senators who participated in the work of the Subcommittee:

The Honourable Senators Dallaire and Downe

Committee Clerks:

Gaëtane Lemay and Shaila Anwar

Analysts and Administrative Support:

Jim Cox (Library of Parliament)

Anita Vinette and Allison Button (Administrative Assistants)

## Standing Committee on Official Languages

### A. General Information

During the 2008-2009 fiscal year, the committee pursued its study of the application of the *Official Languages Act*. It examined a number of matters related to the application of the Act including the Francophone culture in Canada, the implementation of Part VII of the *Official Languages Act* in various federal departments and the 2010 Olympic Games. Furthermore, the committee heard witnesses on other matters such as Air Canada's compliance with relevant provisions of the Act. The committee also maintained its commitment to examining various areas related to Canada's linguistic duality by inviting the Commissioner of Official Languages to appear before it following the publication of the Commissioner's Annual Report.

### B. Reports to the Senate in 2008-2009\*

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament</b>				
Third	Application of the Official Languages Act	2008-04-17	-	Budget
Fourth	Application of the Official Languages Act	2008-06-11	7	Interim Report entitled: <i>Reflecting Canada's Linguistic Duality at the 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games: A Golden Opportunity</i>
Fifth	Application of the Official Languages Act	2008-06-12	2	Interim report entitled: <i>Bilingual Staff at Air Canada: Embracing the Challenge and Moving Forward</i>
Sixth	Application of the Official Languages Act	2008-06-12	8	Interim report entitled: <i>Progress Report - Study on the Implementation of Part VII of the Official Languages Act</i>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament</b>				
First	Rule 104	2009-02-24	-	Expenses from the previous session

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- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2005-2009) 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 2008-2009.

**C. Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2005-2009**

<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>
2008-09	16	30.4	11.0	64	5
2007-08	18	25.2	-	40	6
2006-07	25	44.6	-	99	5
2005-06	6	15.7	40.7	7	2
2004-05	14	29.8	-	72	4

**D. Expenditures For Fiscal Year 2008-2009**

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	\$42,673
Witness Expenses:	\$15,165
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$57,838</b>

**E. Committee Membership for Fiscal Year 2008-2009**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(\* 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, Comeau, De Bané, P.C., Goldstein, Harb, \*Hervieux-Payette, P.C. (or Tardif), \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Comeau), Losier-Cool, Murray, P.C., Tardif

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senator Corbin, Jaffer, Kinsella, Munson and Ringuette

Committee Clerk:

Éric Jacques

Analysts and Administrative Support:

Élise Hurtubise-Loranger (Library of Parliament)  
Louise Archambeault (Administrative Assistant)

**2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(as of February 10, 2009)

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, Comeau, \*Cowan (or Tardif), Fortin-Duplessis, Goldstein, Jaffer, \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Comeau), Losier-Cool, Mockler and Poulin

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Martin, Munson, Murray, P.C., Rivard and Tardif

Committee Clerk:

Danielle Labonté

Analysts and Administrative Support:

Marie-Ève Hudon (Library of Parliament)

Louise Archambeault (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 2008-09, the Standing Committee on Rules, Procedures and the Rights of Parliament submitted two substantive reports: one on the use of Aboriginal languages in the Senate Chamber and one on the reinstatement of bills.

### B. Reports to the Senate in 2008-2009\*

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament</b>				
Fifth	Pursuant to Rule 86(1)(f)(i),	2008-04-09	-	The use of Inuktitut, and prospectively other Aboriginal languages, in the Senate
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament</b>				
First	Rule 104	2009-02-24	-	Expenses from the previous session
Second	Pursuant to Rule 86(1)(f)(i)	2009-03-11	-	Reinstatement of bills

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- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2005-2009) 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 2008-2009.

**C. Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2005-2009**

<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>
2008-09	9	11.6	-	10	3
2007-08	8	9.7	36.0	7	7
2006-07	10	11.4	-	12	3
2005-06	23	27.8	-	9	5
2004-05	20	30.8	-	1	2

**D. Expenditures For Fiscal Year 2008-2009**

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	\$548
Witness Expenses:	NIL
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$548</b>

**E. Committee Membership for Fiscal Year 2008-2009****2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(\* Indicates ex officio members)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Wilbert Keon (Conservative)

Deputy Chair:

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

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

The Honourable Senators Andreychuk, Angus, Brown, Champagne, P.C., Corbin, Cordy, Fraser, Furey, Grafstein, \*Hervieux-Payette, P.C. (or Tardif), Joyal, P.C., Keon, \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Comeau), Losier-Cool, McCoy, Robichaud, P.C. and Smith, P.C.

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Comeau, Kenny and Cools

Committee Clerk:

Blair Armitage

Analysts and Administrative Support:

Jamie Robertson and Michel Bédard (Library of Parliament)

Yolande Beaubien (Administrative Assistant)



**2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(as of February 10, 2009)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Donald Oliver (Conservative)

Deputy Chair:

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

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

The Honourable Senators Andreychuk, Brown, Corbin, Cools, \*Cowan (or Tardif), Duffy, Fraser, Furey, Joyal, P.C., Keon, \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Comeau), Losier-Cool, McCoy, Nolin, Oliver, Robichaud, P.C., and Smith, P.C.

Other enators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Milne, Tardif and Watt

Committee Clerk:

Blair Armitage

Analysts and Administrative Support:

Michel Bédard and Sebastian Spano (Library of Parliament)

Yolande Beaubien (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 2008-2009\*

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament</b>				
First	Rule 85(1)(a) and 85(2)	2008-11-25	-	Nomination of the Honourable Senator Losier-Cool as Speaker <i>pro tempore</i>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament</b>				
First	Rule 85(1)(a) and 85(2)	2009-02-03	-	Nomination of the Honourable Senator Losier-Cool as Speaker <i>pro tempore</i>
Second	Rule 85(1)(b)	2009-02-10	-	List of senators nominated to serve on committees

### C. Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2005-2009

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Hours	No. of Witnesses	No. of Reports
2008-09	3	0.5		3
2007-08	2	0.4		3
2006-07	5	0.8		5
2005-06	-	-	-	-
2004-05	2	0.6		3

### D. Expenditures For Fiscal Year 2008-2009

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures: NIL  
 Witness Expenses: NIL

\* In the individual committee profiles:

- Chart B (Reports to the Senate in 2008-2009) includes the number of witnesses who appeared on each order of reference that was reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2008-2009, even if their appearance was in a previous fiscal year.
- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2005-2009) 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 2008-2009.

**E. Committee Membership for Fiscal Year 2008-2009**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(\* Indicates ex officio members)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Hugh Segal (Conservative)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator James Cowan (Liberal)

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

The Honourable Senators Bacon, Carstairs, P.C., Cowan, Fairbairn, P.C., Fraser, \*Hervieux-Payette, P.C. (or Tardif), \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Comeau), Nancy Ruth, Segal, Stratton and Tkachuk

Committee Clerk:

Heather Lank

Administrative Support:

Brigitte Martineau (Administrative Assistant)

**2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(as of January 26, 2009)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator David Tkachuk (Conservative) (Chair from February 3 to 10, 2009)

The Honourable Senator Terry Stratton (Conservative) (Chair as of February 10, 2009)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Jim Munson (Liberal)

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

The Honourable Senators Carstairs, P.C., Cochrane, \*Cowan (or Tardif), Di Nino, Fairbairn, P.C., \*Hervieux-Payette, P.C. \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Comeau), Munson, Robichaud, P.C., Stratton and Tkachuk

Other Senator who participated in the work of the Committee:

The Honourable Senator Corbin, Fraser and McCoy

Committee Clerk:

Heather Lank

Administrative Support:

Brigitte Martineau (Administrative Assistant)

## Standing Committee on Social Affairs, Science and Technology

### A. General Information

In 2008-2009, the Standing Committee on Social Affairs, Science and Technology received four orders of reference for special studies: current social issues pertaining to Canada's largest cities; the social determinants of health; early learning and child care; and science and technology policy. In addition, two bills were referred to the committee: Bill C-37, An Act to amend the Citizenship Act; and Bill S-204, An Act respecting a National Philanthropy Day.

In January, the committee examined issues relating to the federal government's new Science and Technology (S&T) Strategy - *Mobilizing Science and Technology to Canada's Advantage*, holding hearings with the Minister of Industry and eight major players. The committee released its report on the topic in April 2008, entitled: *Mobilizing Science and Technology to Canada's Advantage*. The committee also held a total of four hearings on early learning and child care.

### B. Reports to the Senate in 2008-2009\*

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament</b>				
Ninth	Population health policy	2008-04-02	8	Interim Report entitled: <i>Population Health Policy: Federal, Provincial, and Territorial Perspectives</i>
Tenth	Population health policy	2008-04-02	-	Interim Report entitled: <i>Population Health Policy: Issues &amp; Options</i>
Eleventh	Bill C-37 (Citizenship Act)	2008-04-16	8	Bill reported without amendment but with observations
Twelfth	Bill S-204 (National Philanthropy Day)	2008-04-17	7	Bill reported without amendment
Thirteenth	Population health policy	2008-04-17	-	Budget
Fourteenth	Canada's largest cities.	2008-04-17	-	Budget
Fifteenth	The state of early learning and child care in Canada	2008-04-17	-	Budget

\* In the individual committee profiles:

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- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2005-2009) 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 2008-2009.

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament (cont'd)</b>				
Sixteenth	Issues relating to the federal government's new Science and Technology (S&T) Strategy	2008-04-30	10	Interim Report entitled: <i>Mobilizing Science and Technology to Canada's Advantage</i>
Seventeenth	Canada's largest cities	2008-06-26	64	Interim Report entitled: <i>Poverty, Housing and Homelessness: Issues and Options</i>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament</b>				
First	Rule 104	2009-02-12	-	Expenses from the previous session

**C. Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2005-2009**

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Meeting Hours	No. of Fact-Finding Hours	No. of Witnesses	No. of Reports
2008-09	9	8.9	-	15	10
2007-08	27	47.5	-	102	16
2006-07	30	48.8	-	127	12
2005-06	41	105.9	11.2	256	6
2004-05	29	52.5	-	120	12

**D. Expenditures For Fiscal Year 2008-2009**

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	\$10,797
Witness Expenses:	\$7,688
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$18,485</b>

**E. Committee Membership for Fiscal Year 2008-2009**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(\* Indicates ex officio members)

Chair:

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

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Wilbert Joseph Keon (Conservative)

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

The Honourable Senators Brown, Callbeck, Champagne, P.C., Cochrane, Cook, Cordy, Eggleton, P.C., Fairbairn, P.C., \*Hervieux-Payette, P.C. (or Tardif), Keon, \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Comeau), Munson, Pépin and Trenholme Counsell

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Grafstein, Milne and Mercer

Committee Clerk:

Barbara Reynolds

Analysts and Administrative Support:

Brian O'Neal and Odette Madore (Library of Parliament)  
Tracy Amendola (Administrative Assistants)

**2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(as of February 10, 2009)

Chair:

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

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Wilbert Joseph Keon (Conservative)

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

The Honourable Senators Callbeck, Champagne, P.C., Cook, Cordy, \*Cowan (or Tardif), Dyck, Eaton, Eggleton, P.C., Fairbairn, P.C., Keon, \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Comeau), Martin, Pépin and Segal

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Munson and Stratton

Committee Clerk:

Keli Hogan

Analysts and Administrative Support:

Havi Echenberg (Library of Parliament)  
Tracy Amendola (Administrative Assistant)

## Subcommittee on Cities

### A. General Information

In February 2007, the Standing Senate Committee on Social Affairs, Science and Technology formed a Subcommittee on Cities to examine current social issues pertaining to Canada's largest cities. The subcommittee was authorized to examine: poverty, housing and homelessness, social infrastructure, social cohesion, immigrant settlement, crime, transportation, and the role of the largest cities in Canada's economic development. The study is national in scope, with a focus on the largest urban community in each of the provinces.

In order to fulfill its mandate, the subcommittee adopted a work plan that divided its review into five major building blocks. The first building block consists of an examination of the capacity of Canada's major cities to cope with significant social challenges at a time when many responsibilities are being transferred to municipalities from seniors levels of government. In June 2008, the subcommittee released an interim report entitled: Poverty, Housing and Homelessness: Issues and Options. The subcommittee held roundtable hearings with expert witnesses and travelled to Eastern Canada to hear from Canadians on the issues and options report, with the main purpose of developing final recommendations.

### B. Reports to the Senate in 2008-2009\*

The Subcommittee on Cities reports to the Standing Committee on Social Affairs, Science and Technology.

### C. Activities of the Subcommittee

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Fact-Finding Hours	No. of Meeting Hours	No. of Witnesses
2008-09	17	8.9	36.5	91
2007-08	3		0.8	-
2006-07	2		1.6	6

### D. Expenditures For Fiscal Year 2008-2009

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	\$96,713
Witness Expenses:	<u>\$40,201</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$136,914</b>

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- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2005-2009) 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 2008-2009.

**E. Subcommittee Membership for Fiscal Year 2008-2009**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(\* Indicates ex officio members)

Chair:

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

Deputy Chair:

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

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

The Honourable Senators Champagne, P.C., Cordy, Eggleton, P.C., Keon, Munson and Trenholme  
Counsell

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Pépin and Segal

Committee Clerk:

Barbara Reynolds

Analysts and Administrative Support:

Brian O'Neal and Havi Echenberg (Library of Parliament)  
Tracy Amendola (Administrative Assistants)

**2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(as of February 25, 2009)

Chair:

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

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Hugh Segal (Conservative)

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

The Honourable Senators Cordy, Dyck, Eggleton, P.C., Martin and Segal

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Champagne, P.C., Cook and Fairbairn, P.C.

Committee Clerk:

Keli Hogan

Analysts and Administrative Support:

Havi Echenberg (Library of Parliament)  
Monique Regimbald (Administrative Assistant)



## Subcommittee on Population Health

### A. General Information

In February 2007, the Standing Senate Committee on Social Affairs, Science and Technology formed a Subcommittee on Population Health to examine and report on the impact of the multiple factors and conditions that contribute to the health of Canada's population – known collectively as the determinants of health. A central element of this study is to identify the actions that must be undertaken by the federal government to implement population health strategies.

In 2008-2009, the subcommittee continued its study by gathering evidence on the development and implementation of population health policy in various jurisdictions. Four reports were tabled in the Senate:

- Population Health Policy: International Perspectives (February 2008) presents an analysis of government policy to improve population health and reduce health disparities in Australia, England, Finland, New Zealand, Norway and Sweden;
- Maternal Health and Early Child Development in Cuba (February 2008) summarizes the subcommittee's findings on the content, structure, cost, management and impact of maternal health programs and early childhood education initiatives in Cuba;
- Population Health Policy in Canada: Federal and Provincial/Territorial Perspectives (April 2008) describes previous efforts of the federal, provincial and territorial governments to develop and implement population health policy;
- Population Health Policy: Issues and Options (April 2008) outline the major issues facing the development of population health policy in Canada.

With respect to the latter report, this paper forms the basis for public hearings and consultations with Canadians across the country. The consultation process will run through 2009; a final report is expected to be tabled in June 2009 which will contain the subcommittees recommendations.

### B. Reports to the Senate in 2008-2009\*

The Subcommittee on Population Health reports to the Standing Committee Social Affairs, Science and Technology.

### C. Activities of the Subcommittee

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Meeting Hours	No. of Fact-Finding Hours	No. of Witnesses
2008-09	22	36.6	34.5	93
2007-08	18	29.7	62.9	58
2006-07	5	7.3	-	12

\* In the individual committee profiles:

- Chart B (Reports to the Senate in 2008-2009) includes the number of witnesses who appeared on each order of reference that was reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2008-2009, even if their appearance was in a previous fiscal year.
- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2005-2009) 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 2008-2009.

**D. Expenditures For Fiscal Year 2008-2009**

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	\$126,873
Witness Expenses:	<u>\$29,877</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$156,750</b>

**E. Subcommittee Membership for Fiscal Year 2008-2009**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(\* Indicates ex officio members)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Wilbert Keon (Conservative)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Lucie Pépin (Liberal)

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

The Honourable Senators Brown, Callbeck, Cochrane, Cook, Fairbairn, P.C., Keon and Pépin

Other Senators who participated in the work of the Subcommittee:

The Honourable Senators Eggleton, P.C., Munson, Segal and Trenholme Counsell

Committee Clerk:

Barbara Reynolds

Analysts and Administrative Support:

Michael Toye and Odette Madore (Library of Parliament)

Tracy Amendola (Administrative Assistants)

**2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(as of February 25, 2009)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Wilbert Keon (Conservative)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Lucie Pépin (Liberal)

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

The Honourable Senators Callbeck, Champagne, P.C., Cook, Eaton, Fairbairn, P.C., Keon and Pépin

Other Senators who participated in the work of the Subcommittee:

The Honourable Senators Cordy, Dyck, Eggleton, P.C., Martin, Munson and Stratton

Committee Clerk:

Barbara Reynolds

Analysts and Administrative Support:

Michael Toye and Odette Madore (Library of Parliament)

Tracy Amendola (Administrative Assistant)

## Standing Committee on Transport and Communications

### A. General Information

During the Second Session of the Thirty-ninth Parliament, the Transport and Communications Committee completed its examination of containerized freight traffic in Canada's ports. In its report tabled in the Senate on June 10, 2008 and entitled *Time for a New National Vision: Opportunities and Constraints for Canada in the Global Movement of Goods*, the committee urged the government to seize the opportunity for Canada to become a key player in the global supply chain. One of the goals of the committee was to find ways to allow Canada's containerized freight transportation system to become more competitive and to attract a greater share of the North American container traffic.

In addition to its special study, the committee also dealt with Bill C-23, An Act to amend the Canada Marine Act, the Canada Transportation Act, the Pilotage Act and other Acts in consequence (reported without amendment on June 4, 2008); and Bill S-221, An Act concerning personal watercraft in navigable waters (did not report before the end of the session).

### B. Reports to the Senate in 2008-2009\*

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament</b>				
Fifth	The containerized freight traffic handled by Canada's ports	2008-04-15	-	Budget
Sixth	Bill C-23 (Canada Marine Act)	2008-06-04	3	Bill reported without amendment
Seventh	The containerized freight traffic handled by Canada's ports	2008-06-10	44	Final Report entitled <i>Time for a New National Vision: Opportunities and Constraints for Canada in the Global Movement of Goods</i>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament</b>				
First	Rule 104	2009-02-26	-	Expenses from the previous session

\* In the individual committee profiles:

- Chart B (Reports to the Senate in 2008-2009) includes the number of witnesses who appeared on each order of reference that was reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2008-2009, even if their appearance was in a previous fiscal year.
- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2005-2009) 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 2008-2009.

**C. Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2005-2009**

<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>
2008-09	8	8.3	-	9	4
2007-08	30	43.1	15.1	100	9
2006-07	35	51.6	7.0	88	8
2005-06	36	76.4	-	110	3
2004-05	40	84.3	13.1	174	8

**D. Expenditures For Fiscal Year 2008-2009**

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	\$3,162
Witness Expenses:	NIL
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,162</b>

**E. Committee Membership for Fiscal Year 2008-2009****2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(\* Indicates ex officio members)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Lise Bacon (Liberal)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Donald Oliver (Conservative)

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

The Honourable Senators Adams, Bacon, Dawson, Eyton, Fox, P.C., \*Hervieux-Payette, P.C. (or Tardif) Johnson, \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Comeau), Mercer, Merchant, Oliver, Phalen, Tkachuk and Zimmer

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Comeau, Fairbairn, P.C., Massicotte, and Spivak

Committee Clerk:

Denis Robert

Analysts and Administrative Support:

Terrence Thomas and John Christopher (Library of Parliament)

Sylvie Simard (Administrative Assistant)

**2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(as of February 10, 2009)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Lise Bacon (Liberal)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Janis G. Johnson (Conservative)

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

The Honourable Senators Adams, Bacon, Cochrane, \*Cowan (or Tardif), Dawson, Eyton, Fox, P.C., Housakos, Johnson, \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Comeau), Mercer, Merchant, Wallace and Zimmer

Committee Clerk:

Vanessa Moss-Norbury

Analysts and Administrative Support:

Terrence Thomas, (Library of Parliament)

Anita Vinette (Administrative Assistant)

## Standing Joint Committee on the Library of Parliament

### A. General Information

The joint committee's mandate is to assist the Speaker of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Commons in directing the Library of Parliament and to make recommendations regarding the operation of the Library and the proper expenditure of monies voted by Parliament for the purchase of books, maps and other articles. The Library is also responsible for the guide program and tours of Parliament.

In 2008-2009, the committee reviewed issues involved in implementing the services of the Parliamentary Budget Officer. The study is ongoing.

### B. Reports to the Senate in 2008-2009\*

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament</b>				
First	Permanent	2009-03-10	-	Quorum be fixed at six members

### C. Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2005-2009

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Meeting Hours	No. of Witnesses	No. of Reports
2008-09	5	5.8	6	1
2007-08	3	1.7	2	1
2006-07	2	0.2	-	1
2005-06	3	1.7	3	1
2004-05	2	1.6	5	1

### D. Expenditures For Fiscal Year 2008-2009

(For more details see Part III of this report)

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

\* In the individual committee profiles:

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- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2005-2009) 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 2008-2009.

**E. Committee Membership for Fiscal Year 2008-2009**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

Joint Chair:

The Honourable Senator Marilyn Trenholme Counsell (Liberal)

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

The Honourable Senators Lapointe, Murray, P.C., Oliver, Rompkey, P.C. and Trenholme Counsell

Joint Committee Clerk:

Denis Robert

Analysts and Administrative Support:

Kristen Douglas and Tim Williams (Library of Parliament)

Sylvie Simard (Administrative Assistant)

**2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(as of February 10, 2009)

Joint Chair:

The Honourable Senator Sharon Carstairs, P.C., (Liberal)

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

The Honourable Senators Baker, P.C., Carstairs, P.C., Greene, Jaffer and Stratton

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Lapointe, Munson and Peterson

Joint Committee Clerk:

Denis Robert

Analysts and Administrative Support:

Élise Hurtubise-Loranger and François Côté (Library of Parliament)

Sylvie Simard (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, 2008 to March 31, 2009, 10 meetings were held. While the committee rarely calls witnesses, it felt it necessary to do so this year. Michael Presley, Executive Director, Regulatory Affairs Sector of the Treasury Board of Canada Secretariat, testified before the committee in May.

### B. Reports to the Senate in 2008-2009\*

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament</b>				
Third	Section 19 of the <i>Statutory Instruments Act</i> , R.S.C. 1985, c. S-22,	2008-06-04	-	<i>Species at Risk Act</i>
Fourth	Section 19 of the <i>Statutory Instruments Act</i> , R.S.C. 1985, c. S-22,	2008-06-04	-	<i>Indian Act</i>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament</b>				
First	Section 19 of the <i>Statutory Instruments Act</i> , R.S.C. 1985, c. S-22,	2009-03-03	-	Expenses from the previous session

\* In the individual committee profiles:

- Chart B (Reports to the Senate in 2008-2009) includes the number of witnesses who appeared on each order of reference that was reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2008-2009, even if their appearance was in a previous fiscal year.
- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2005-2009) 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 2008-2009.



**C. Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2005-2009**

<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>
2008-09	10	12.1	3	3
2007-08	12	14.9	4	2
2006-07	12	16.4	10	5
2005-06	9	10.9	5	1
2004-05	9	10.3	4	2

**D. Expenditures For Fiscal Year 2008-2009**

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	\$1,088
Witness Expenses:	<u>NIL</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,088</b>

**E. Committee Membership for Fiscal Year 2008-2009**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(\* Indicates ex officio members)

Joint Chair:

The Honourable Senator John Trevor Eyton (Conservative)

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

The Honourable Senators Biron, Bryden, De Bané, P.C., Eyton, Harb, Moore, Nolin and St. Germain, P.C.

Joint Committee Clerk:

Marcy Zlotnick

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Bacon and Zimmer

Administrative Support:

Peter Bernhardt (Library of Parliament)  
Lucy Laflamme (Administrative Assistant)

**2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(as of February 10, 2009)

Joint Chair:

The Honourable Senator John Trevor Eyton (Conservative)

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

The Honourable Senators Bryden, Cook, Dickson, Eyton, Hervieux-Payette, P.C., Moore and Wallace

Joint Committee Clerk:

Marcy Zlotnick

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senator Cordy

Administrative Support:

Peter Bernhardt (Library of Parliament)

Tracy Amendola (Administrative Assistants)

## Special Senate Committee on Aging

### A. General Information

In November 2006, the Special Senate Committee on Aging was created with a broad mandate to review a wide range of complex issues to determine if Canada is providing the right programs and services at the right time to the seniors who need them.

The committee released an interim report in February 2007, *Embracing the Challenge of Aging*, which summarized the findings of the first phase of the study. That report identified overarching questions, organized into four broad themes: defining seniors; the diversity of seniors and their needs; promising policy approaches; and the role of the federal government.

Using these four broad themes to frame its work, the committee undertook to examine these issues in more detail in the second phase of its study. This included a series of hearings and a questionnaire sent to seniors' organizations across Canada to elicit their views on issues important to them.

In March 2008, the committee released a second interim report, *Issues and Options for an Aging Population*. The committee identified key public policy issues with respect to the aging of the population and presented a set of potential options for addressing these issues.

Since March 2008, the committee was engaged in the third and final phase of its study where it invited expert witnesses to testify at roundtable hearings and travelled throughout Canada to hear from Canadians on the issues and options presented in the second interim report.

The committee met with seniors to hear their stories in Halifax, Nova Scotia; Moncton, New Brunswick; Sherbrooke, Quebec; Welland, Ontario; Ste. Anne, Manitoba; the Sagkeeng First Nation in Manitoba; Vancouver, British Columbia; and Victoria, British Columbia.

### B. Reports to the Senate in 2008-2009\*

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament</b>				
Fourth	The implications of an aging society in Canada	2008-04-10	-	Budget
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament</b>				
First	Rule 104	2009-02-12	-	Expenses from the previous session
Second	The implications of an aging society in Canada	2009-03-24	-	Budget

\* In the individual committee profiles:

- Chart B (Reports to the Senate in 2008-2009) includes the number of witnesses who appeared on each order of reference that was reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2008-2009, even if their appearance was in a previous fiscal year.
- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2005-2009) 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 2008-2009.

**C. Activities of the Committee:**

<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>
2008-09	23	47.7	130	3
2007-08	14	30.5	79	4
2006-07	9	17.9	43	2

**D. Expenditures For Fiscal Year 2008-2009**

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	\$234,956
Witness Expenses:	\$9,369
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$244,325</b>

**E. Committee Membership for Fiscal Year 2008-2009****2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(\* Indicates ex officio members)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Sharon Carstairs, P.C. (Liberal)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Wilbert Keon (Conservative)

Original Members agreed to by Motion of the Senate:

The Honourable Senators Carstairs, P.C., Chaput, Cools, Cordy, \*Hervieux-Payette, P.C. (or Tardif), Johnson, \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Comeau), Mercer and Nolin

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Keon and Stratton

Committee Clerk:

Keli Hogan

Analysts and Administrative Support:

Julie Cool and Michael Toye (Library of Parliament)

Monique Régimbald (Administrative Assistant)

**2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(as of February 10, 2009)

Chair:

The Honourable Senator Sharon Carstairs, P.C. (Liberal)

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Wilbert Keon (Conservative)

Original Members agreed to by Motion of the Senate:

The Honourable Senators Carstairs, P.C., Chaput, Cools, Cordy, \*Cowan (or Tardif), Keon,  
\*LeBreton, P.C. (or Comeau), Mercer and Stratton

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senator Greene

Committee Clerk:

Keli Hogan

Analysts and Administrative Support:

Julie Cool (Library of Parliament)

Monique Régimbald (Administrative Assistant)

## Special Senate Committee on Anti-terrorism

### **A. General Information**

In October 2001, in direct response to the terrorist attacks in New York City, Washington, D.C., and Pennsylvania, and at the request of the United Nations, the Canadian government introduced Bill C-36, the Anti-terrorism Act. Given the urgency of the situation then, Parliament was asked to expedite its study of the legislation, and the bill received Royal Assent in December 2001.

However, concerns were expressed that it was difficult to thoroughly assess the potential impact of this legislation in such a short period of time. For that reason, it was agreed that, three years later, Parliament would be asked to examine the provisions of the Act and its impact on Canadians with the benefit of hindsight. On December 13, 2004, the Senate established the Special Senate Committee on the *Anti-terrorism Act* to fulfill its legislative obligations in that regard.

In the 2006-07 fiscal year, the special committee completed much of its work, tabling two reports: the Main Report of the committee, entitled *Fundamental Justice in Extraordinary Times*, was tabled on February 22, 2007, and a follow-up report tabled on March 28, 2007, provided additional commentary on the issue of security certificates given a Supreme Court of Canada ruling handed down on February 23, 2007. In light of the Supreme Court ruling, and the committee's recommendations, the mandate of the committee was extended into the 2007-08 fiscal year, and again re-established in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament under the new name of the Special Senate Committee on Anti-terrorism.

In 2007-2008, the committee examined Bill C-3, An Act to amend the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act (certificate and special advocate) and to make a consequential amendment to another act. The committee completed its consideration and reported on the bill. However, as a result of the previous year's Supreme Court decision, and the short time which was therefore available for the committee to consider Bill C-3, a more comprehensive examination of the security certificate process was undertaken. Four meetings were held concerning this order of reference in the 2008-2009 fiscal year, but the committee did not report prior to the dissolution of the 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament. The committee was not reconstituted in the 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament.

### **B. Reports to the Senate in 2008-2009\***

**NIL**

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\* In the individual committee profiles:

- Chart B (Reports to the Senate in 2008-2009) includes the number of witnesses who appeared on each order of reference that was reported to the Senate during the fiscal year 2008-2009, even if their appearance was in a previous fiscal year.
- Chart C (Activities of the Committee: A Five-Year Comparison, 2005-2009) 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 2008-2009.

**C. Activities of the Committee**

<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>
2008-09	4	7.3	-	6	-
2007-08	10	25.6		52	4
2006-07	14	28.3	-	9	4
2005-06	33	62.4	30.0	105	1
2004-05	14	28.1	-	--	26

**D. Expenditures For Fiscal Year 2008-2009**

(For more details see Part III of this report)

Budget Expenditures:	\$855
Witness Expenses:	\$2,600
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,455</b>

**E. Committee Membership for Fiscal Year 2008-2009**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Session, 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament**

(\* Indicates ex officio members)

Chair:

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

Deputy Chair:

The Honourable Senator Pierre Claude Nolin (Conservative)

Original Members agreed to by Motion of the Senate:

The Honourable Senators Andreychuk, Day, Fairbairn, P.C., Fraser, \*Hervieux-Payette, P.C (or Tardif), Jaffer, Joyal, P.C., Kinsella, \*LeBreton, P.C. (or Comeau), Nolin and Smith, P.C.

Other senators who participated in the work of the committee:

The Honourable Senators Baker, P.C. and Segal

Committee Clerk:

Adam Thompson

Analysts and Administrative Support:

Wade Riordan Raaflaub and Jennifer Bird (Library of Parliament)

Brigitte Martineau (Administrative Assistant)

## Part III – Committee Expenditures

### Detailed Committee Expenditure Report for 2008-2009

Senate committees may apply for a budget, for example to engage the services of counsel and clerical help and to travel if so authorized by the Senate. Certain expenditures such as videoconferencing and travel expenses for witnesses are charged to a centralized budget. The budget process is described in the *Senate Administrative Rules (Chapter 3:06)*.

#### Meetings and Expenditures, 2005-2009

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	Total Senate Committees (A)	Witness Expenses Pursuant to Rule 104 (B)	Total Expenditures (A+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>
2006-07	541	\$1,888,324	\$220,022	<b>\$2,108,346</b>
2005-06	396	\$2,044,549	\$193,765	<b>\$2,238,314</b>
2004-05	408	\$1,179,869	\$144,531	<b>\$1,324,400</b>

#### Explanation of Standard Categories

The following table provides a detailed account of each committee's budget and actual expenditures according to three standard categories.

- ◆ **Committee Trips** (including expenses when on travel status, such as hotels, airfare, interpretation, reporting, transcribing, meeting rooms and working meals);
- ◆ **Professional Services** (analyst assistance, expert advisors, legal services and working meals in Ottawa);
- ◆ **Miscellaneous** (courier services, books and newspapers, and telecommunications).



## Detailed Committee Expenditures Report for 2008-2009 by Budget Category

Name of Committee Session 39-2	Total Budget	Budget	Committee Trips	Prof. Services	Miscellaneous	Total Expenditures	Expenditures % of Budget
<b>Aboriginal People</b>	<b>29,500</b>						
Legislation		12,500		720		720	6%
Study on General Matters		17,000	162	1,795		1,957	12%
<b>Aging (Special)</b>	<b>462,210</b>	462,210	196,994	31,539	954	229,487	50%
<b>Agriculture and Forestry</b>	<b>57,150</b>						
Legislation		4,250		1,018		1,018	24%
Study on Present & Future State		46,550		8,280		8,280	18%
Study on Rural Poverty in Canada		6,350		2,627		2,627	41%
<b>Anti-terrorism (Special)</b>	<b>3,000</b>	3,000		855		855	29%
<b>Banking, Trade and Commerce</b>	<b>36,000</b>						
Legislation		36,000		5,789	5,800	11,589	32%
<b>Conflict of Interest for Senators</b>	<b>53,000</b>	53,000		915		915	2%
<b>Energy, the Environment and Natural Resources</b>	<b>307,170</b>						
Legislation		15,000		2,765		2,765	18%
Study on Emerging Issues		292,170	124,721	868		125,590	43%
<b>Fisheries and Oceans</b>	<b>550,891</b>						
Study on Government Policy Framework		550,891	209,637	5,163	99	214,899	39%
<b>Foreign Affairs and International Trade</b>	<b>459,950</b>						
Legislation		7,000				0	0%
Study on General Issues		32,000	10,060			10,060	31%
Study on China-India-Russia		420,950		1,587		1,587	0%
<b>Human Rights</b>	<b>9,500</b>						
Legislation		9,500		3,456		3,456	36%
<b>Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration</b>	<b>5,000</b>	5,000		1,048		1,048	21%
<b>Legal and Constitutional Affairs</b>	<b>73,820</b>						
Legislation		71,320		5,274	473	5,747	8%
Study on Canada Elections Act		2,500		573		573	23%
<b>Library of Parliament (Joint)</b>	<b>2,143</b>	2,143	-	210		210	10%
<b>National Finance</b>	<b>62,360</b>						
Legislation		62,360		3,684		3,684	6%
<b>National Security and Defence</b>	<b>493,830</b>						
Legislation		8,250		1,075		1,075	13%
Study of the National Security Policy		485,580	9,278	86,551	2,830	98,659	20%
<b>Subcommittee on Veterans Affairs</b>	<b>34,601</b>						
Legislation		34,601		2,078		2,078	6%

Name of Committee Session 39-2	Total Budget	Budget	Committee Trips	Prof. Services	Miscellaneous	Total Expenditures	Expenditures % of Budget
<b>Official Languages</b>	<b>106,082</b>						
Study of the Official Languages Act		106,082	39,165	2,250	10	41,425	39%
<b>Rules, Procedures and the Rights of Parliament</b>	<b>11,250</b>	11,250				0	0%
<b>Scrutiny of Regulations (Joint)</b>	<b>9,090</b>	9,090		134	645	778	9%
<b>Social Affairs Science and Technology</b>	<b>17,500</b>						
Legislation		4,000		758		758	19%
Study on Early Learning		13,500		10,039		10,039	74%
<b>Subcommittee on Cities</b>	<b>327,000</b>	327,000	91,827	4,740	146	96,713	30%
<b>Subcommittee on Population Health</b>	<b>291,121</b>	291,121	107,743	16,907	87	124,737	43%
<b>Transport and Communication</b>	<b>27,000</b>						
Legislation		20,000	1,190	674		1,864	9%
Study on Containerized Traffic		7,000		979		979	14%
<b>TOTAL 39-2</b>	<b>\$3,429,168</b>	<b>\$3,429,168</b>	<b>\$790,779</b>	<b>\$204,349</b>	<b>\$11,044</b>	<b>\$1,006,171</b>	<b>29%</b>

Name of Committee <i>Session 40-2</i>	Total Budget	Budget	Committee Trips	Prof. Services	Miscellaneous	Total Expenditures	Expenditures % of Budget
<b>Aboriginal People</b>	<b>4,700</b>						
Study on General Matters		4,700		996		996	21%
<b>Aging (Special)</b>	<b>9,000</b>	9,000		5,469		5,469	61%
<b>Banking, Trade and Commerce</b>	<b>5,000</b>						
Legislation		5,000		2,125		2,125	43%
<b>Energy, the Environment and Natural Resources</b>	<b>9,000</b>						
Legislation		2,500		386		386	15%
Study on Emerging Issues		6,500		4,543		4,543	70%
<b>Fisheries and Oceans</b>	<b>5,000</b>	5,000		850		850	17%
<b>Foreign Affairs and International Trade</b>	<b>2,000</b>						
Study on Export Dev. Canada		2,000		850		850	43%
<b>Human Rights</b>	<b>2,000</b>					-	
Study of the Federal Public Service		1,000		399		399	40%
Study of Human Rights and Obligations		1,000		456		456	46%
<b>Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration</b>	<b>1,000</b>	1,000		154		154	15%
<b>Legal and Constitutional Affairs</b>	<b>5,200</b>						
Study on National Defence Act		3,100		984		984	32%
Study on DNA Act		2,100		470		470	22%
<b>Library of Parliament (Joint)</b>	<b>2,145</b>						
Legislation		2,145		101		101	5%
<b>National Finance</b>	<b>10,000</b>						
Legislation		10,000		1,478		1,478	15%
<b>National Security and Defence</b>	<b>2,800</b>						
Legislation		1,200		753		753	63%
Study of the National Security Policy		1,600		21		21	1%
<b>Official Languages</b>	<b>5,000</b>						
Legislation		5,000		1,248		1,248	25%
<b>Rules, Procedures and the Rights of Parliament</b>	<b>2,250</b>						
Legislation		2,250		548		548	24%
<b>Scrutiny of Regulations (Joint)</b>	<b>600</b>	600		119	191	310	52%
<b>Social Affairs, Science and Technology</b>							
<b>Subcommittee on Population Health</b>	<b>8,000</b>	8,000		2,136		2,136	27%
<b>Transport and Communication</b>	<b>4,000</b>						
Legislation		4,000		319		319	8%
<b>TOTAL 40-2</b>	<b>\$77,695</b>	<b>\$77,695</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>\$24,405</b>	<b>\$191</b>	<b>\$24,596</b>	<b>32%</b>

## Witness Expense Breakdown for 2008-2009

39-2 COMMITTEE ACTIVITY	TOTAL	AMOUNT
<b>Aboriginal Peoples</b>	<b>6,311</b>	
Legislation		1,251
Study on General Matters		5,060
<b>Aging (Special)</b>	<b>9,369</b>	9,369
<b>Agriculture and Forestry</b>	<b>9,748</b>	
Legislation		1,286
Study on Present and Future State		8,462
<b>Banking, Trade and Commerce</b>	<b>9,251</b>	
Legislation		8,328
Study on Financial System		923
<b>Energy, Environment and Natural Resources</b>	<b>8,987</b>	
Legislation		3,520
Study on Emerging Issues		5,467
<b>Fisheries</b>	<b>2,421</b>	
Study on Policy Framework		2,421
<b>Foreign Affairs</b>	<b>4,088</b>	
Study on General Issues		2,321
Study on China-India-Russia		1,767
<b>Human Rights</b>	<b>6,298</b>	
Legislation		4,763
Study of Rights Obligations		1,535
<b>Legal and Constitutional Affairs</b>	<b>20,415</b>	
Legislation		19,738
Study on Canada Election Act		677
<b>National Finance</b>	<b>5,011</b>	
Legislation		5,011
<b>National Security and Defence</b>	<b>1,793</b>	
Study of the National Security Policy		1,793
<b>Subcommittee on Veterans</b>	<b>3,125</b>	3,125
<b>Official Languages</b>	<b>14,508</b>	
Study of the Official Languages Act		14,508
<b>Social Affairs, Science and Technology</b>	<b>7,014</b>	
Legislation		7,014
<b>Subcommittee on Cities</b>	<b>40,201</b>	40,201
<b>Subcommittee on Population Health</b>	<b>20,623</b>	20,623
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$171,763</b>	<b>\$171,763</b>

<b>40-2 COMMITTEE ACTIVITY</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
<b>Aboriginal Peoples</b>	<b>416</b>	
Legislation		416
<b>Banking, Trade and Commerce</b>	<b>233</b>	
Study on Credit and Debit Cards		233
<b>Legal and Constitutional Affairs</b>	<b>1,226</b>	
Legislation		1,226
<b>Official Languages</b>	<b>657</b>	
Study of the Official Languages Act		657
<b>Social Affairs, Science and Technology</b>	<b>674</b>	
Legislation		674
<b>Subcommittee on Population Health</b>	<b>9,254</b>	9,254
<b>TOTAL 39-2</b>	<b>\$ 12,460</b>	\$ 12,460
<b>TOTAL 39-2 and 40-2</b>	<b>\$184,223</b>	<b>\$184,223</b>