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INTRODUCTION

One of the Liaison Committee's main responsibilities is to apportion the funds, allocated by the Board of Internal Economy (BOIE) for this purpose, which are required to conduct the activities of standing committees. These activities include the examination of selected matters in greater depth than is possible in the House of Commons and committees may report conclusions of those examinations, including recommendations, to the House. Committees undertake studies in four general areas: the Estimates, legislation, Order in Council appointments, and subject matter studies. In order to conduct these studies, committees may choose to hear from witnesses in Ottawa or may travel to other locations.

In recent years, the Liaison Committee has initiated various updates to the administrative practices and funding policies that govern the activities of standing committees. In June 2013, the members of the Liaison Committee approved the implementation of management best practices to ensure available budgets and standing committee expenditures meet expectations regarding the value of goods and services received.

To that end, this document gives members of Parliament and the general public a clearer view of committee activities, and the related expenditures, approved by committee members. This information complements the up-to-date information provided to committee chairs on a monthly basis. In addition, the report also provides some general metrics regarding the number of: meetings, meeting hours, reports, and witnesses. The Liaison Committee's intention is to continue presenting such reports three times per fiscal year, for each of the following periods: April 1 to June 30, July 1 to December 31 and January 1 to March 31.

In certain instances there may be minor discrepancies between the expenditure amounts in this report and those of a previous report from the same fiscal year. These differences can be attributed to a number of things. In some instances, even though a trip has ended or a study has been concluded, invoices may have been received following the preparation of the report and would therefore only show in the following report. However, with the conclusion of the 2014-2015 fiscal year, the expenditures in this report are the final amounts for this year. In other cases and as permitted by the Liaison Committee, a committee may have used its basic operational budgets as interim funding for a study awaiting budgetary approval and once approval was received, the expenditures were then transferred from the basic operational budget to the study budget. In these latter instances, the expenditures remain the same but are allocated to a different budget.

The present report covers the period of April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015. During this period, a total of 899 committee meetings were held, 3,111 witnesses were heard and 155 reports were presented to the House. In addition, as this report covers the entire fiscal year, some additional information has been included to facilitate comparisons between fiscal years. Similar information has been provided in the past through the Annual Report on Committee Activities and Expenditures, tabled in the House by the Speaker of the House of Commons on behalf of the BOIE, and recent copies of those reports are available on the Parliamentary website.

For further information, please contact the Liaison Committee at LIAI@parl.gc.ca.

STANDING COMMITTEE ON ABORIGINAL AFFAIRS AND NORTHERN DEVELOPMENT (AANO)

From April 1 to June 30, 2014, the Committee completed its study of Bill C-25, An Act respecting the Qalipu Mi'kmaq First Nation Band Order. It also conducted a study of the *Subject Matter of Wills and Estates* which culminated with the presentation of its Sixth Report to the House on May 30. Additionally, the Committee studied the Main Estimates 2014–15, as well as the Supplementary Estimates (A) 2014–15. The Committee also heard from witnesses as part of its study on *Access to Capital*.

During the period of July 1 to December 31, 2014, the Committee considered the Supplementary Estimates (B) 2014–15.

From January 1 to March 31, 2015, the Committee continued its study of *Access to Capital*, hearing evidence from officials from the department of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada as well as representatives from the First Nations financial institutions. The Committee also began the consideration of Bill S-6, Yukon and Nunavut Regulatory Improvement Act, during which the Committee heard testimony from various witnesses. During this study, the Committee held three public meetings, including one held in Whitehorse, Yukon. On February 19, Blake Richards was elected Chair of the Committee.

MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2015)

Blake Richards (Chair), Niki Ashton (Vice-Chair), Carolyn Bennett (Vice-Chair), John Barlow, Rob Clarke, Earl Dreeshen, Jonathan Genest-Jourdain, Carol Hughes, Kyle Seeback, Mark Strahl

EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER ¹	TRAVEL	TOTAL ²
Operational Budget ³	-	-	1,994	-	1,994
Subject Matter of Bill C-15	1,144	-	79	-	1,223
Bill C-25	3,933	-	-	-	3,933
Subject Matter of Wills and Estates	-	-	158	-	158
Access to Capital	4,551	-	165	-	4,716
Bill S-6	4,627	-	86	-	4,713
Subject Matter of Bill S-6	-	-	-	57,636	57,636
TOTAL²	14,255	-	2,481	57,636	74,372

¹ "Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

² Differences in totals are due to rounding.

³ "Operational budget" contains expenditures for cases where no separate funding request has been made in relation to a study or an activity of a committee.

STANDING COMMITTEE ON ABORIGINAL AFFAIRS AND NORTHERN DEVELOPMENT (AANO) (CONT'D)

MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS				TOTAL MEETING HOURS	NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	TV ¹	VC ²	VR ³			
Standing Committee (AANO)	19	2	-	1	24h39m	77	4
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SAAN) ⁴	4	-	-	-	0h45m	-	-
TOTAL	23	2	-	1	25h24m	77	4

¹ Number of televised meetings.

² Number of meetings using videoconferencing.

³ Number of meetings video recorded by members of the Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery.

⁴ Subcommittees are not empowered to report to the House. They only present reports to the relevant standing committees.

STANDING COMMITTEE ON ACCESS TO INFORMATION, PRIVACY AND ETHICS (ETHI)

From April 1 to June 30, 2014, the Committee began its study of the *Growing Problem of Identity Theft and its Economic Impact*. The Committee also considered the Main Estimates 2014–15, and concluded its study of Bill C-520, An Act supporting non-partisan agents of Parliament. The Bill was reported back to the House on May 26, with amendments. The Committee then considered the certificates of nomination for Daniel Therrien, nominee for the position of Privacy Commissioner of Canada, and Mary Dawson, nominee for the position of Conflict of Interest and Ethics Commissioner.

In the period from July 1 to December 31, 2014, the Committee met to consider the Supplementary Estimates (B) 2014–15 and reported them back to the House on November 28.

During the period of January 1 to March 31, 2015, the Committee continued its study of the *Growing Problem of Identity Theft and its Economic Impact*, scheduling additional public meetings and issuing instructions to staff for the drafting of its report to the House. On February 2, Pat Martin resigned as Chair of the Committee and Pierre-Luc Dusseault was elected the new Chair on February 4.

MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2015)

Pierre-Luc Dusseault (Chair), Patricia Davidson (Vice-Chair), Scott Simms (Vice-Chair), Charlie Angus, Charmaine Borg, Ray Boughen, Paul Calandra, Larry Maguire, Tilly O’Neill Gordon, Bob Zimmer

EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER ¹	TOTAL ²
Operational Budget ³	-	-	3,494	3,494
Growing Problem of Identity Theft and its Economic Impact	12,648	2,442	1,122	16,212
TOTAL²	12,648	2,442	4,616	19,707

¹ “Other” (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

² Differences in totals are due to rounding.

³ “Operational budget” contains expenditures for cases where no separate funding request has been made in relation to a study or an activity of a committee.

MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS				TOTAL MEETING HOURS	NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	TV ¹	VC ²	VR ³			
Standing Committee (ETHI)	19	6	2	-	23h50m	55	6
TOTAL	19	6	2	-	23h50m	55	6

¹ Number of televised meetings.

² Number of meetings using videoconferencing.

³ Number of meetings video recorded by members of the Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery.

STANDING COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND AGRI-FOOD (AGRI)

From April 1 to June 30, 2014, the Committee resumed its study of Bill C-30, An Act to amend the Canada Grain Act and the Canada Transportation Act and to provide for other measures. After hearing from 20 witnesses over the course of three meetings, the Committee reported the Bill to the House on April 8. Pursuant to an order adopted by the House on May 1 referring the Bill back to the Committee with a view to adding a new clause providing that the Canada Transportation Agency may order a company to compensate persons adversely affected when the company fails to fulfill its service obligations, the Committee again studied Bill C-30 and reported it to the House for a second time on May 5. The Committee also undertook a study on *Innovation and Competitiveness*, holding six meetings on the issue, and a study on the *Retail Sector Supply Chain and Food Waste Prevention*, holding two meetings on the subject. Finally, the Committee examined certain votes of the Main Estimates 2014–15 and reported its findings to the House on May 29.

In the period from July 1 to December 31, 2014, the Committee studied Bill C-18, An Act to amend certain Acts relating to agriculture and agri-food, and reported it back to the House with amendments on November 5. The Committee also studied the Supplementary Estimates (B) 2013–14 and reported them back to the House on December 1. Lastly, pursuant to an order of the House adopted on November 19 referring back the Committee's First Report on the Canada-European Union Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement, the Committee considered the report over the course of three meetings and presented its Seventh Report in the House on December 9.

During the period of January 1 to March 31, 2015, the Committee undertook a study of *Promoting Domestic Trade of Agricultural and Agri-Food Products by Reducing Interprovincial Barriers*. By March 31, the Committee held seven meetings on the matter, and heard from 19 witnesses. The Committee also held a *Briefing with Members of the Canadian Young Farmers Forum* on February 26

MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2015)

Bev Shipley (Chair), Malcolm Allen (Vice-Chair), Mark Eyking (Vice-Chair), Ruth Ellen Brosseau, Earl Dreeschen, Gerald Keddy, Larry Maguire, LaVar Payne, Francine Raynault, Bob Zimmer

EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER ¹	TOTAL ²
Operational Budget ³	-	-	2,154	2,154
Bill C-30	972	3,463	1,816	6,251
Innovation and Competitiveness	2,530	3,358	473	6,361
Supply Chain Retail Sector And Food Waste Prevention	-	1,516	315	1,832
Bill C-18	4,776	6,304	1,186	12,266
Order of the House Referring Back the First Report of the Committee	609	1,568	1,078	3,255
Promoting Domestic Trade of Agricultural and Agri-Food Products by Reducing Interprovincial Barriers	-	2,639	301	2,939
TOTAL²	8,886	18,849	7,323	35,058

¹ "Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

² Differences in totals are due to rounding.

³ "Operational budget" contains expenditures for cases where no separate funding request has been made in relation to a study or an activity of a committee.

STANDING COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND AGRI-FOOD (AGRI) (CONT'D)

MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS				TOTAL MEETING HOURS	NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	TV ¹	VC ²	VR ³			
Standing Committee (AGRI)	37	-	22	-	58h02m	182	6
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SAGR) ⁴	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	37	-	22	-	58h02m	182	6

¹ Number of televised meetings.

² Number of meetings using videoconferencing.

³ Number of meetings video recorded by members of the Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery.

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STANDING COMMITTEE ON CANADIAN HERITAGE (CHPC)

From April 1 to June 30, 2014, the Committee continued its *Review of the Canadian Music Industry*. During that period it heard from 61 additional witnesses culminating in the Fifth Report of the Committee, presented to the House on June 12. In addition, the Committee studied the Main Estimates 2014–15 and presented its Fourth Report to the House on May 28.

In the period from July 1 to December 31, 2014, the Committee met to study Bill S-213, An Act respecting Lincoln Alexander Day and reported the bill back to the House on October 23 without amendment. It also studied Bill S-211, National Health and Fitness Day Act and reported the bill, without amendment, on December 1. The Committee also considered the Supplementary Estimates (B) 2014–15.

During the period of January 1 to March 31, 2015, the Committee commenced a *Review of the Canadian Feature Film Industry* and held four meetings on this study. The Committee also considered Bill S-218, An Act respecting National Fiddling Day and reported the Bill back to the House without amendment on February 18. Finally, the Committee commenced consideration of Bill C-597, An Act to amend the Holidays Act (Remembrance Day).

MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2015)

Gordon Brown (Chair), Pierre Nantel (Vice-Chair), Stéphane Dion (Vice-Chair), Rick Dykstra, Jim Hillyer, Rathika Sitsabaiesan, Kennedy Stewart, John Weston, Terence Young, David Yurdiga

EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER ¹	TOTAL ²
Operational Budget ³	-	-	3,408	3,408
Review of the Canadian Music Industry	17,436	3,068	-	20,504
Bill S-218	96	450	61	607
Review of the Canadian Feature Film Industry	4,520	909	183	5,611
TOTAL²	22,052	4,427	3,652	30,131

¹ "Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

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STANDING COMMITTEE ON CANADIAN HERITAGE (CHPC) (CONT'D)

MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS				TOTAL MEETING HOURS	NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	TV ¹	VC ²	VR ³			
Standing Committee (CHPC)	23	3	9	-	37h55m	103	7
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SCHP) ⁴	1	-	-	-	0h47m	-	-
TOTAL	24	3	9	-	38h42m	103	7

¹ Number of televised meetings.

² Number of meetings using videoconferencing.

³ Number of meetings video recorded by members of the Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery.

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STANDING COMMITTEE ON CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION (CIMM)

From April 1 to June 30, 2014, the Committee held six meetings on its ongoing study of *Strengthening the Protection of Women in our Immigration System*. Six meetings were devoted to a study of the *Subject Matter of Bill C-24, An Act to amend the Citizenship Act and to make consequential amendments to other Acts*. Once the Bill was officially referred to the Committee, the Committee was able to proceed directly to two meetings on clause-by-clause consideration of Bill C-24 and reported the Bill back to the House on June 4. The Committee also conducted a study of the *Subject Matter of the Main Estimates 2014–15*.

In the period from July 1 to December 31, 2014, the Committee held two meetings on its study of the *Subject Matter of Clauses 172, 173 (Federal-Provincial Fiscal Arrangements Act), 183 and 184 (Revolving Funds Act) of Bill C-43, A second Act to implement certain provisions of the budget tabled in Parliament on February 11, 2014*. The Committee also conducted a study of the *Subject Matter of the Supplementary Estimates (B) 2014–15*.

During the period of January 1 to March 31, 2015, the Committee completed its study of *Strengthening the Protection of Women in our Immigration System* and presented its Fourth Report to the House on February 25. In addition, the Committee commenced a study of *Promoting Economic Prosperity through Settlement Services* and held four meetings on this study. The Committee also considered the Supplementary Estimates (C) 2014–15. Furthermore, the Committee began consideration of Bill S-7, An Act to amend the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act, the Civil Marriage Act and the Criminal Code and to make consequential amendments to other Acts.

MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2015)

David Tilson (Chair), Lysane Blanchette-Lamothe (Vice-Chair), John McCallum (Vice-Chair), Jay Aspen, Jim Eglinski, Chungsen Leung, Irene Mathyssen, Costas Menegakis, Jasbir Sandhu, Devinder Shory

EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER ¹	TOTAL ²
Operational Budget ³	-	-	492	492
Strengthening the Protection of Women in our Immigration System	12,498	1,455	365	14,317
Subject Matter of Bill C-24	12,670	2,346	466	15,481
Subject Matter of Clauses 172, 173 (Federal-Provincial Fiscal Arrangements Act), 183 and 184 (Revolving Funds Act) of Bill C-43	1,150	200	-	1,350
Promoting Economic Prosperity through Settlement Services	5,110	-	224	5,333
TOTAL²	31,427	4,001	1,546	36,974

¹ "Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

² Differences in totals are due to rounding.

³ "Operational budget" contains expenditures for cases where no separate funding request has been made in relation to a study or an activity of a committee.

STANDING COMMITTEE ON CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION (CIMM) (CONT'D)

MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS				TOTAL MEETING HOURS	NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	TV ¹	VC ²	VR ³			
Standing Committee (CIMM)	25	14	10	-	46h04m	118	2
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SCIM) ⁴	5	-	-	-	1h46m	-	-
TOTAL	30	14	10	-	47h50m	118	2

¹ Number of televised meetings.

² Number of meetings using videoconferencing.

³ Number of meetings video recorded by members of the Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery.

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STANDING COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT (ENVI)

From April 1 to June 30, 2014, the Committee concluded its study of the *Water Quality of the Great Lakes Basin* and presented its Third Report to the House on June 2. The Committee also began hearing witnesses in relation to its study of the *Management of Municipal Solid Waste and Industrial Materials*. Furthermore, the Committee considered the Main Estimates 2014–15.

In the period from July 1 to December 31, 2014, the Committee continued its study of the *Management of Municipal Solid Waste and Industrial Materials*. The Committee studied Bill C-40, An Act respecting the Rouge National Urban Park and reported the bill back to the House without amendment on November 6. The Committee also studied Bill S-5, An Act to amend the Canada National Parks Act (Nááts'ihch'oh National Park Reserve of Canada) and reported the bill back to the House without amendment on November 20. Furthermore, the Committee studied the Supplementary Estimates (B) 2014–15 and reported them back to the House on November 27. The Committee also met to study the *Order in Council Appointment of Michael Martin to the position of Deputy Minister of the Department of Environment*.

During the period between January 1 and March 31, 2015, the Committee completed its study of *Management of Municipal Solid Waste and Industrial Materials* and presented its Eighth Report to the House on February 25. The Committee also commenced a study of *Licensed Hunting and Trapping in Canada*.

MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2015)

Harold Albrecht (Chair), Megan Anissa Leslie (Vice-Chair), John McKay (Vice-Chair), Stella Ambler, Denis Bevington, Colin Carrie, François Choquette, Robert Sopuck, Lawrence Toet, Stephen Woodworth

EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER ¹	TOTAL ²
Operational Budget ³	-	-	624	624
Water Quality of the Great Lakes Basin	5,308	425	365	6,098
Management of Municipal Solid Waste and Industrial Materials	1,295	3,633	372	5,301
Bill C-40	3,101	-	172	3,273
Licensed Hunting and Trapping in Canada	85	3,422	360	3,867
TOTAL²	9,789	7,480	1,893	19,163

¹ "Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

² Differences in totals are due to rounding.

³ "Operational budget" contains expenditures for cases where no separate funding request has been made in relation to a study or an activity of a committee.

STANDING COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT (ENVI) (CONT'D)

MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS				TOTAL MEETING HOURS	NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	TV ¹	VC ²	VR ³			
Standing Committee (ENVI)	32	1	10	-	48h10m	104	6
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SENV) ⁴	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	32	1	10	-	48h10m	104	6

¹ Number of televised meetings.

² Number of meetings using videoconferencing.

³ Number of meetings video recorded by members of the Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery.

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STANDING COMMITTEE ON FINANCE (FINA)

From April 1 to June 30, 2014, the Committee considered Bill C-31, Economic Action Plan 2014 Act, No. 1, and reported it to the House with amendments on May 30. In addition, it completed its study of *Youth Employment in Canada* and presented its Sixth Report to the House on June 12. The Committee also examined the Main Estimates 2014–15 for the Canada Revenue Agency and heard from the Governor of the Bank of Canada regarding the latest *Monetary Policy Report* and from the Parliamentary Budget Officer regarding his *Economic and Fiscal Outlook*. On June 6, the Committee issued a news release to launch the public portion of its pre-budget consultations by inviting Canadians to share their opinions and recommendations regarding the content of the next federal budget.

In the period from July 1 to December 31, 2014, the Committee held pre-budget consultations in two stages. During the public consultation stage from June 6 to August 6, the Committee received 421 briefs. During the second stage, held in September and October, the Committee heard from 108 witnesses on six predetermined themes. On December 10, the Committee presented the results of the consultations in its Eighth Report, *Towards Prosperity: Federal Budgetary Priorities for People, Businesses and Communities*. The Committee also considered Bill C-43, A second Act to implement certain provisions of the budget tabled in Parliament on February 11, 2014 and other measures. On November 27, the Committee reported the Bill to the House with amendments. It also heard from the Governor of the Bank of Canada regarding the *Report of the Bank of Canada on Monetary Policy*, and from the Parliamentary Budget Officer regarding the *Economic and Fiscal Outlook*. The Committee also studied the *Subject Matter of the Supplementary Estimates (B) 2014–15*.

During the period of January 1 to March 31, 2015, the Committee devoted four meetings to its study of the *Canadian Renminbi Trading Centre*. It also held three meetings and heard from 15 witnesses on the *Impact of Low Oil Prices on the Canadian Economy*. Finally, the Committee began a study of *Terrorist Financing in Canada and Abroad*, for which it held three meetings.

MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2015)

James Rajotte (Chair), Nathan Cullen (Vice-Chair), Scott Brison (Vice-Chair), Mark Adler, Joyce Bateman, Ron Cannan, Raymond Côté, Pierre Dionne Labelle, Andrew Saxton, Dave Van Kesteren

EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER ¹	TOTAL ²
Operational Budget ³	322	1,588	2,259	4,170
Youth Employment in Canada	10,567	-	801	11,368
Bill C-31	10,842	1,178	2,734	14,754
Pre-Budget Consultations 2014	33,995	-	6,499	40,494
Bill C-43	6,996	2,610	1,997	11,603
Canadian Renminbi Trading Centre	1,840	1,273	224	3,336
Impact of Low Oil Prices on the Canadian Economy	3,908	1,202	445	5,555
TOTAL²	68,471	7,851	14,959	91,281

¹ "Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

² Differences in totals are due to rounding.

³ "Operational budget" contains expenditures for cases where no separate funding request has been made in relation to a study or an activity of a committee.

STANDING COMMITTEE ON FINANCE (FINA) (CONT'D)

MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS				TOTAL MEETING HOURS	NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	TV ¹	VC ²	VR ³			
Standing Committee (FINA)	49	29	11	-	113h26m	442	5
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SFIN) ⁴	6	-	-	-	3h31m	-	-
TOTAL	55	29	11	-	116h57m	442	5

¹ Number of televised meetings.

² Number of meetings using videoconferencing.

³ Number of meetings video recorded by members of the Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery.

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STANDING COMMITTEE ON FISHERIES AND OCEANS (FOPO)

From April 1 to June 30, 2014, the Committee held several meetings, two of which focused on the *European Union's Ban on the Import of Seal Products*. The Committee spent four meetings studying the *Changing Ocean Conditions or Other Factors Off the Coast of Newfoundland and Labrador that have Led to Stock Fluctuations in Northern Shrimp and Other Species*. The Committee also undertook a study of the *Use of Eco-certification in Wild-Capture and Aquaculture Fisheries* and commenced consideration of Bill C-555, An Act respecting the Marine Mammal Regulations (seal fishery observation licence).

In the period from July 1 to December 31, 2014, the Committee met to consider a request by three members to undertake a study of Geotechnical Testing at Gros-Cacouna, Quebec. The Committee also studied Bill C-555, An Act respecting the Marine Mammal Regulations (seal fishery observation licence) and presented its First Report to the House on November 26 without amendment. The Committee also studied the *Subject Matter of the Supplementary Estimates (B) 2014–15 under FISHERIES AND OCEANS and other issues*.

During the period of January 1 to March 31, 2015, the Committee held three meetings to consider Bill S-3, An Act to amend the Coastal Fisheries Protection Act. The Committee also commenced a study of *Recreational Fishing in Canada*.

MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2015)

Rodney Weston (Chair), Robert Chisholm (Vice-Chair), Lawrence MacAulay (Vice-Chair), Ryan Cleary, Patricia Davidson, Randy Kamp, François Lapointe, Ryan Leef, Robert Sopuck, John Weston

EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER ¹	TOTAL ²
Operational Budget ³	-	-	1,375	1,375
Changing Ocean Conditions or Other Factors Off the Coast of Newfoundland and Labrador that have Led to Stock Fluctuations in Northern Shrimp and Other Species	11,053	-	86	11,139
Bill C-555	2,638	-	129	2,767
Bill S-3	679	-	479	1,158
TOTAL²	14,370	-	2,068	16,438

¹ "Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

² Differences in totals are due to rounding.

³ "Operational budget" contains expenditures for cases where no separate funding request has been made in relation to a study or an activity of a committee.

STANDING COMMITTEE ON FISHERIES AND OCEANS (FOPO) (CONT'D)

MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS				TOTAL MEETING HOURS	NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	TV ¹	VC ²	VR ³			
Standing Committee (FOPO)	24	-	-	-	30h38m	55	1
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SFOP) ⁴	2	-	-	-	1h05m	-	-
TOTAL	26	-	-	-	31h43m	55	1

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STANDING COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT (FAAE)

From April 1 to June 30, 2014, the Committee continued its studies on the *Situation in Ukraine* and the *Situation in Syria*. Following its study of the *Situation in Syria*, the Committee presented its Fifth Report to the House on May 16. In addition, the Committee revisited its study of *Corporate Practices by Companies Supplying and Manufacturing Products in Developing Countries for Canadian Consumers* in order to receive an update from various stakeholders on this subject. Furthermore, the Committee studied the Main Estimates 2014–15, presenting its Sixth Report to the House on May 30. Finally, the Committee began a study of the *Protection of Children and Youth in Developing Countries* with a view to reporting its findings to the House in the fall.

The Subcommittee on International Human Rights (SDIR) studied *Sexual Violence and Persecution of Religious Minorities in the Syrian Conflict* and adopted a statement on its findings. In addition, the Subcommittee heard several updates on human rights situations it has been following: the *Case of Sergei Magnitsky*, the *Situation in Camp Ashraf*, the *Human Rights Situation in Honduras* and the *Human Rights Situation in Eritrea*. The Subcommittee members heard a briefing on the *Human Rights Situation in Vietnam* and held an event called “Iran Accountability Week”. The Subcommittee also heard from experts about the current and evolving situation in Iran. Finally, the Subcommittee commenced a study of the *Rights of Women in Afghanistan*.

In the period from July 1 to December 31, 2014, the Committee held a briefing session on the *Deployment of Canadian Armed Forces Personnel to Iraq* and heard from the ministers of Foreign Affairs and National Defence. The Committee also continued its study of the *Protection of Children and Youth in Developing Countries*, and held a briefing session on *Religious Freedom in Nigeria*. In late November, the Committee began a study of *Canada’s Response to the Violence, Religious Persecution and Dislocation Caused by the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL)*.

The Subcommittee on International Human Rights held meetings and issued statements on *Forced Harvesting and Trafficking of Human Organs*; the *Human Rights Situation in Iran*; *Arbitrary Detention and Political Opposition in Venezuela*; and the *Challenges Faced by North Korean Refugees*. In addition, the Subcommittee continued its study of the *Human Rights Situation in Honduras*, and began a study of the *Aftermath of the Rwandan Genocide: A Study of the Crisis of Children Born of Rape*.

During the period of January 1 to March 31, 2015, the Committee continued its study of *Canada’s Response to the Violence, Religious Persecution and Dislocation Caused by the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL)*. Five more public meetings were held; one of these was a briefing on Canada’s response to ISIL, which took place jointly with the Standing Committee on National Defence on January 29. On March 24, the Committee adopted a substantive report on this study, which was presented to the House as its Eighth Report on March 30.

In addition, the Committee continued its study of the *Protection of Children and Youth in Developing Countries*, met informally with visiting parliamentary delegations from Turkey and Romania, held a *Briefing on the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria*, and on March 30 presented to the House its Seventh Report, produced by its Subcommittee on International Human Rights, on the *Human Rights Situation in Honduras*.

For its part, the Subcommittee held meetings and issued statements on *Arbitrary Detention and Political Opposition in Venezuela*; *Human Rights Situation in Sudan*; *Inter Pares’ program in Burma*; *Human Rights Situation in Eritrea*; and the *Developing Situation of Religious Minorities in Bangladesh*. Finally, the Subcommittee began consideration of a report of the *Aftermath of the Rwandan Genocide: A Study of the Crisis of Children Born of Rape*.

MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2015)

Dean Allison (Chair), Paul Dewar (Vice-Chair), Marc Garneau (Vice-Chair), Lois Brown, Peter Goldring, Laurie Hawn, Hélène Laverdière, Romeo Saganash, Gary Ralph Schellenberger, Bernard Trottier

STANDING COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT (FAAE) (CONT'D)

EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER ¹	TOTAL ²
FAAE – Operational Budget ³	159	433	2,215	2,806
SDIR – General Operational Budget	728	160	1,901	2,789
Briefing on the Situation in Syria	-	-	754	754
SDIR - Human Rights Situation in Honduras	-	811	1,121	1,933
Situation in Ukraine	2,567	1,529	103	4,199
SDIR - Human Rights Situation in Iran	8,266	829	617	9,712
Protection of Children and Youth in Developing Countries	5,347	2,808	1,177	9,331
SDIR-Rights of Women in Afghanistan	-	396	160	556
SDIR-Human Rights Situation in Eritrea	-	-	437	437
SDIR-Persecution of Religious Minorities in Iraq by ISIL/Daesh	-	-	193	193
SDIR-Challenges Faced by North Korean Refugees	645	-	225	870
SDIR-Forced Harvesting and Trafficking of Human Organs	-	-	193	193
SDIR-Aftermath of the Rwandan Crisis	502	976	321	1,799
SDIR-Human Rights Situation in North Korea	-	-	1,237	1,237
SDIR-Arbitrary Detention and Political Opposition in Venezuela	3,269	-	191	3,460
SDIR-Human Rights Situation in Vietnam	1,555	-	200	1,754
SDIR-Sexual Violence and Persecution of Religious Minorities in the Syrian Conflict	163	-	160	323
Canada's Response to the Violence, Religious Persecution and Dislocation Caused by the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL)	3,213	3,747	1,714	8,674
Briefing on Freedom of Religion in Nigeria	-	208	52	260
SDIR-Developing Situation of Religious Minorities in Bangladesh	659	-	130	789
TOTAL²	27,072	11,897	13,099	52,067

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STANDING COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT (FAAE) (CONT'D)

MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS				TOTAL MEETING HOURS	NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	TV ¹	VC ²	VR ³			
Standing Committee (FAAE)	32	4	13	2	47h44m	104	5
Subcommittee on International Human Rights (SDIR) ⁴	43	27	6	-	40h21m	59	-
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SFAA) ⁴	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	75	31	19	2	88h05m	163	5

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STANDING COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS AND ESTIMATES (OGGO)

From April 1 to June 30, 2014, the Committee examined two sets of estimates: the Supplementary Estimates (A), 2014–15, and the Main Estimates 2014–15. It also heard testimony from Privy Council Office representatives regarding their *Report on Plans and Priorities 2014–15* and the *Report of the Clerk of the Privy Council and Secretary to the Cabinet to the Prime Minister on the Public Service of Canada*. In addition, the Committee continued its study of the *Government's Open Data Practices* and reported its findings to the House on June 12. Finally, it began a study of the *Programs and Activities of the Canadian General Standards Board*.

In the period from July 1 to December 31, 2014, the Committee studied Bill C-21, An Act to control the administrative burden that regulations impose on businesses, and reported it back to the House without amendment on December 4. The Committee also studied the Supplementary Estimates (B) 2014–15 and reported them back to the House on November 28. It also studied Departmental Performance Reports for 2013-2014.

During the period of January 1 to March 31, 2015, the Committee elected Pat Martin as the new Chair on February 5. The Committee undertook its study of Supplementary Estimates (C) 2014–15 and reported back to the House on March 13. It also began a study of the Main Estimates 2015–16. The Committee also looked at the *Renovations and Associated Costs for the Parliamentary Precinct Renovation Project*. Finally, the Committee considered the *Certificate of Nomination of Joe Friday to the position of Public Sector Integrity Commissioner* and reported back to the House on March 26.

MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2015)

Pat Martin (Chair), Greg Kerr (Vice-Chair), Gerry Byrne (Vice-Chair), Mark Adler, Tarik Brahmi, Brad Butt, Guy Lauzon, Mathieu Ravignat, Chris Warkentin, Wai Young

EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER ¹	TOTAL ²
Operational Budget ³	-	-	803	803
Study on the Government's Open Data Practices	9,038	5,065	329	14,431
Programs and Activities of the Canadian General Standards Board	-	-	329	329
TOTAL²	9,038	5,065	1,461	15,563

¹ "Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

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STANDING COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS AND ESTIMATES (OGGO) (CONT'D)

MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS				TOTAL MEETING HOURS	NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	TV ¹	VC ²	VR ³			
Standing Committee (OGGO)	28	12	6	-	40h43m	92	7
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SOGG) ⁴	1	-	-	-	0h25m	-	-
TOTAL	29	12	6	-	41h08m	92	7

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STANDING COMMITTEE ON HEALTH (HESA)

At the beginning of April, the Committee completed its study of the *Government's Role in Addressing Prescription Drug Abuse* and presented its Second Report to the House on April 10. The Committee then resumed its study of the *Best Practices and Federal Barriers Related to the Practice and Training of Healthcare Professionals*, during which it heard from 20 witnesses over four meetings. It then went on to study *Marijuana's Health Risks and Harms*, and heard 23 witnesses in five meetings. In addition, the Committee studied Bill C-17, An Act to amend the Food and Drugs Act, and Bill C-442, An Act respecting a National Lyme Disease Strategy. Both bills were reported back to the House with amendments. In considering the former, the Committee heard from 19 witnesses during three meetings, and, for the latter, four witnesses in one meeting. The Committee also considered the Main Estimates 2014–15, and presented its Third Report to the House on May 28.

From July 1 to December 31, 2014, the Committee hosted a delegation from the health committee of Germany's Bundestag. Also, having finished hearing witnesses in relation to its study of *Marijuana's Health Risks and Harms*, the Committee adopted its Sixth Report, which was presented to the House on October 21. The Committee also commenced a study of *E-cigarettes* and heard from 34 witnesses. Finally, the Committee studied the Supplementary Estimates (B) 2014–15, and reported the Votes back to the House on November 25.

During the period of January 1 to March 31, 2015, the Committee considered Bill C-608, An Act respecting a National Day of the Midwife and reported it back to the House without amendment on January 28. The Committee completed its study of *E-cigarettes* and reported its findings to the House in its Ninth Report on March 10. In addition, in accordance with Section 80.1 of the *Pest Control Products Act*, the Committee undertook a statutory review of the Act. The Committee also continued its study of *Best Practices and Federal Barriers: Practice and Training of Healthcare Professionals* by providing instructions for the drafting of a report. Finally, the Committee began a review of *Health Canada Safety Code 6*.

MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2015)

Ben Lobb (Chair), Murray Rankin (Vice-Chair), Hedy Fry (Vice-Chair), Matthew Kellway, Wladyslaw Lizon, James Lunney, Cathy McLeod, Christine Moore, David Wilks, Terence Young

EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER ¹	TOTAL ²
Operational Budget ³	-	-	3,105	3,105
Best Practices and Federal Barriers: Practice and Training of Healthcare Professionals	1,542	2,479	129	4,150
Marijuana's Health Risks and Harms	2,283	1,389	638	4,311
Bill C-17	3,974	1,377	493	5,843
Bill C-442	2,905	665	-	3,570
E-cigarettes	6,558	1,799	1,153	9,509
Supplementary Estimates (B) 2014–15	-	-	299	299
Statutory Review of the Pest Control Products Act	-	495	86	581
Health Canada Safety Code 6	656	381	43	1,080
TOTAL²	17,918	8,585	5,945	32,449

¹"Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

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STANDING COMMITTEE ON HEALTH (HESA) (CONT'D)

MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS				TOTAL MEETING HOURS	NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	TV ¹	VC ²	VR ³			
Standing Committee (HESA)	38	4	14	-	68h27m	156	8
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SHES) ⁴	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	38	4	14	-	68h27m	156	8

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STANDING COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES, SKILLS AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT AND THE STATUS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (HUMA)

From April 1 to June 30, 2014, the Committee concluded its study of *Opportunities for Aboriginal Persons in the Workforce* and presented its Fourth Report to the House on May 28. The Committee then began a study of the *Renewal of the Labour Market Development Agreements (LMDA)*. The Committee also studied the *Subject Matter of Clauses 242 to 251, 371 to 374, and 483 to 486 of Bill C-31, An act to implement certain provisions of the budget tabled in Parliament on February 11, 2014 and other measures*. In addition, the Committee considered the Main Estimates for 2014–15 and reported them back to the House on May 28.

In the period from July 1 to December 31, 2014, the Committee studied Bill C-591, An Act to amend the Canada Pension Plan and the Old Age Security Act (pension and benefits) and Bill C-247, An Act to expand the mandate of Service Canada in respect of the death of a Canadian citizen or Canadian resident and reported them back to the House both with amendments on October 27 and November 5, respectively. The Committee also studied the *Subject Matter of Clauses 252 and 306 to 314 of Bill C-43, A second Act to implement certain provisions of the budget tabled in Parliament on February 11, 2014 and other measures*. It considered the Supplementary Estimates (B) 2014–15 and presented its Eighth Report to the House on November 28. Finally, the Committee continued its study of *Renewal of the Labour Market Development Agreements (LMDA)* and awarded the 2014 Centennial Flame Research Award to Selma Kouidri, whose research will explore the legacy of Maria Barile, a woman who lived with a disability and who was “a pioneer in the disability movement”.

Between January 1 and March 31, 2015, the Committee presented its Ninth Report on its study of the *Renewal of the Labor Market Development Agreements (LMDA)* on January 28. The Committee also began a study of *Exploring the Potential of Social Finance in Canada* and held nine meetings and heard from various witnesses.

MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2015)

Phil McColeman (Chair), Jinny Jogindera Sims (Vice-Chair), Rodger Cuzner (Vice-Chair), Scott Armstrong, Ray Boughen, Brad Butt, Jim Eglinski, Sadia Groguhé, Colin Mayes, Marie-Claude Morin

EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER ¹	TOTAL ²
Operational Budget ³	-	-	1,347	1,347
Opportunities for Aboriginal Persons in the Workforce	7,211	-	121	7,332
Renewal of the Labour Market Development Agreements (LMDA)	13,526	2,106	963	16,595
Bill C-247	1,204	491	479	2,173
Bill C-591	907	-	479	1,386
Subject Matter of Clause 252, and 306 to 314 of Bill C-43	-	587	239	826
Exploring the Potential of Social Finance in Canada	7,857	3,953	765	12,576
TOTAL²	30,706	7,137	4,392	42,236

¹ “Other” (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

² Differences in totals are due to rounding.

³ “Operational budget” contains expenditures for cases where no separate funding request has been made in relation to a study or an activity of a committee.

STANDING COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES, SKILLS AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT AND THE STATUS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (HUMA) (CONT'D)

MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS				TOTAL MEETING HOURS	NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	TV ¹	VC ²	VR ³			
Standing Committee (HUMA)	32	3	14	-	49h10m	147	6
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SHUM) ⁴	3	-	-	-	0h44m	-	-
TOTAL	35	3	14	-	49h54m	147	6

¹ Number of televised meetings.

² Number of meetings using videoconferencing.

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STANDING COMMITTEE ON INDUSTRY, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (INDU)

From April 1 to June 30, 2014, the Committee continued its study of the *Entertainment Software Industry in Canada* and, after holding eight meetings and hearing from 24 witnesses, presented its Fourth Report to the House on May 12. The Committee then began a study of the *Impact of Research, Technology and Innovation on the Pipeline Industry*. The Committee spent two meetings to hear officials on the *Subject Matter of Clauses 175 to 192 (Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency and Enterprise Cape Breton Corporation)*, *239 to 241 (Telecommunications Act)*, *317 to 368 (Amendments Relating to International Treaties on Trademarks)* and *369–370 (Reduction of Governor in Council Appointments) of Bill C-31, An act to implement certain provisions of the budget tabled in Parliament on February 11, 2014 and other measures*. The Committee also considered the Main Estimates 2014–15, and reported back to the House on May 28.

In the period from July 1 to December 31, 2014, the Committee studied the *Subject Matter of Clauses 102 to 142 (Industrial Design Act)*, *174 to 182 (Radiocommunication Act)* and *186 to 190 (Investment Canada Act)*, *191 and 192 (Broadcasting Act)*, *193 to 210 (Telecommunications Act)* and *211 to 223 (Business Development Bank of Canada Act) of Bill C-43, A second Act to implement certain provisions of the budget tabled in Parliament on February 11, 2014 and other measures*. The Committee also studied the *Subject Matter of the Supplementary Estimates (B) 2014–15*.

During the period of January 1 to March 31, 2015, the Committee held seven meetings to hear witnesses on Bill S-4, Digital Privacy Act.

MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2015)

David Sweet (Chair), Peggy Nash (Vice-Chair), Judy Sgro (Vice-Chair), John Carmichael, Joe Daniel, Cheryl Gallant, Mike Lake, Brian Masse, Annick Papillon, Mark Warawa

EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER ¹	TOTAL ²
Operational Budget ³	-	-	2,592	2,592
Entertainment Software Industry in Canada	-	-	309	309
Impact of Research, Technology and Innovation on the Pipeline Industry	-	756	-	756
Subject matter of Clauses 175 to 192, 239 to 241, and 317 to 370 of Bill C-31	622	-	309	931
Subject matter of Clauses 102 to 142 (Industrial Design Act), 174 to 182 (Radiocommunication Act) and 186 to 190 (Investment Canada Act), 191 and 192 (Broadcasting Act), 193 to 210 (Telecommunications Act) and 211 to 223 (Business Development Bank of Canada Act) of Bill C-43	2,189	-	195	2,384
Bill S-4	4,754	-	1,137	5,891
TOTAL²	7,565	756	4,542	12,863

¹ "Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

² Differences in totals are due to rounding.

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STANDING COMMITTEE ON INDUSTRY, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (INDU) (CONT'D)

MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS				TOTAL MEETING HOURS	NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	TV ¹	VC ²	VR ³			
Standing Committee (INDU)	23	3	1	-	28h49m	102	2
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SIND) ⁴	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	23	3	1	-	28h49m	102	2

¹ Number of televised meetings.

² Number of meetings using videoconferencing.

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STANDING COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE (CIIT)

From April 1 to June 30, 2014, the Committee studied Bill C-20, the Canada-Honduras Economic Growth and Prosperity Act, and reported the Bill without amendment to the House on May 5. The Committee also received evidence as part of its study of the *Positive Effects of the Global Markets Action Plan*. Finally, it presented its Second Report to the House on June 18, in relation to its study of the *Canada-European Union Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA)*.

In the period from July 1 to December 31, 2014, the Committee studied Bill C-41, An Act to implement the Free Trade Agreement between Canada and the Republic of Korea, and reported the bill back to the House without amendment on October 10.

During the period from January 1 to March 31, 2015, the Committee continued its study on the *Positive Effects of the Global Markets Action Plan* with a particular focus on Air Transport Agreements. The Committee also commenced a study entitled *Competing Globally: Opportunities for Small and Medium-sized Businesses*.

MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2015)

Randy Hoback (Chair), Don Davies (Vice-Chair), Chrystia Freeland (Vice-Chair), Mike Allen, Ron Cannan, Parm Gill, Nina Grewal, Laurin Liu, Marc-André Morin, Devinder Shory

EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER ¹	TOTAL ²
Operational Budget ³	-	-	3,337	3,337
Bill C-20	2,154	1,065	1,083	4,302
Positive Effects of the Global Markets Action Plan	3,385	894	1,497	5,775
Bill C-41	4,035	1,124	243	5,402
Competing Globally: Opportunities for Small and Medium-sized Businesses	1,525	3,439	443	5,406
TOTAL²	11,099	6,521	6,602	24,222

¹ "Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

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STANDING COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE (CIIT) (CONT'D)

MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS				TOTAL MEETING HOURS	NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	TV ¹	VC ²	VR ³			
Standing Committee (CIIT)	28	1	10	-	43h09m	93	3
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SCII) ⁴	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	28	1	10	-	43h09m	93	3

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STANDING COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS (JUST)

From April 1 to June 30, 2014, the Committee continued its study of *Part XVII of the Criminal Code* and, after holding seven meetings and hearing from 10 witnesses during the period of February 25 to April 10, 2014, presented its report on April 28. It also examined the Main Estimates 2014–15 under Justice. Finally, the Committee considered Bill C-13, the Protecting Canadians from Online Crime Act, by holding 10 meetings and hearing from 35 witnesses during the period of May 13 to June 12, 2014. The Bill was reported to the House with one amendment on June 13.

In the period from July 1 to December 31, 2014, the Committee studied Bill C-36, An Act to amend the Criminal Code in response to the Supreme Court of Canada decision in *Attorney General of Canada v. Bedford* and to make consequential amendments to other Acts, and reported it back to the House with amendments on September 15. The Committee also studied Bill C-32, An Act to enact the Canadian Victims Bill of Rights and to amend certain Acts, and reported it back to the House with amendments on December 3. The Committee considered the Supplementary Estimates (B) 2014–15 and reported them back to the House on November 28. It also considered Bill S-221, An Act to amend the Criminal Code (assaults against public transit operators) and reported it back to the House without amendment on December 3. The Committee also studied the *Proposals for a Miscellaneous Statute Law Amendment Act, 2014*, and reported them back to the House on November 24. Lastly, the Committee studied Bill S-2, An Act to amend the Statutory Instruments Act and to make consequential amendments to the Statutory Instruments Regulations, and reported it back to the House without amendment on December 10.

During the period of January 1 to March 31, 2015, the Committee considered Bill C-26, the Tougher Penalties for Child Predators Act during four meetings and heard 31 witnesses. The Committee reported the bill to the House with amendments on February 19. The Committee also considered Bill C-587, An Act to amend the Criminal Code (increasing parole ineligibility), hearing from nine witnesses during three meetings, and reported the bill to the House without amendment on April 1. Finally, the Committee undertook consideration of the *Subject Matter of Bill C-583, An Act to amend the Criminal Code (fetal alcohol spectrum disorder)* during four meetings, hearing from 16 witnesses.

MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2015)

Mike Wallace (Chair), Françoise Boivin (Vice-Chair), Sean Casey (Vice-Chair), Blaine Calkins, Bob Dechert, Robert Goguen, Pierre Jacob, Ève Péclet, Kyle Seeback, David Wilks

STANDING COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS (JUST) (CONT'D)

EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER ¹	TOTAL ²
Operational Budget ³	-	484	4,902	5,386
Statutory Review of Part XVII of the Criminal Code	1,016	-	-	1,016
Bill C-13	13,932	1,183	871	15,986
Bill C-36	30,026	8,887	3,507	42,419
Bill C-32	12,110	-	387	12,496
Bill S-221	-	358	-	358
Bill S-2	-	-	86	86
Bill C-26	2,211	1,500	172	3,883
Bill C-587	4,490	-	129	4,619
Subject Matter of Bill C-583	861	4,308	129	5,298
TOTAL²	64,646	16,719	10,182	91,547

¹ "Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

² Differences in totals are due to rounding.

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MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS				TOTAL MEETING HOURS	NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	TV ¹	VC ²	VR ³			
Standing Committee (JUST)	52	20	22	7	92h04m	280	13
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SJUS) ⁴	4	-	-	-	1h03m	-	-
TOTAL	56	20	22	7	93h07m	280	13

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STANDING COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENCE (NDDN)

From April 1 to June 30, 2014, the Committee completed its study of the *Care of Ill and Injured Canadian Armed Forces Members* and presented its Fourth Report to the House on June 12. The Committee also continued its study of the *Defence of North America* and held a meeting to study *Sexual Assault in the Military*. In addition, pursuant to an order of reference from the House, the Committee considered the *Order in Council appointment of Gary Walbourne to the position of Ombudsperson for the Department of National Defence*. The Committee also examined the *Communications Security Establishment Canada Intelligence-Gathering Policies and Practices* and the subject matter of Supplementary Estimates (C) 2013–14 under National Defence. It also considered the Main Estimates 2014–15 and reported to the House on May 30. On April 10, Rick Norlock was elected Chair of the Committee.

In the period from July 1 to December 31, 2014, the Committee studied the *Defence of North America* and held briefing sessions on *Canada's Role in NATO Operation REASSURANCE*, *Canada's Response to ISIL*, *Canada's Naval Current Situation Renewal and Modernization*. In addition, the Committee considered the *Order in Council appointments of Bill Jones to the position of Associate Deputy Minister of National Defence* and of *Keith Coulter to the position of Special Adviser to the Minister of National Defence*. The Committee also considered the Supplementary Estimates (B) 2014–15 and reported them to the House on November 26. On October 7, Mr. Rick Norlock resigned as Chair of the Committee and the Hon. Peter Kent was elected Chair.

During the period from January 1 to March 31, 2015, the Committee continued its study of the *Defence of North America*. On January 29, the Committee met jointly with the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Development for a briefing, by the ministers of National Defence and Foreign Affairs, on *Canada's response to ISIL*. In addition, the Committee considered the Supplementary Estimates (C) 2014–15 and reported them back to the House on March 12. The Committee also considered the *Order in Council appointments of John Forster to the position of Deputy Minister of National Defence*, of *John Turner to the position of Associate Deputy Minister of National* and of *Greta Bossenmaier to the position of Chief of the Communications Security Establishment* and, on March 26, reported to the House that it found them to be competent to perform the duties of their respective positions.

MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2015)

Peter Kent (Chair), Jack Harris (Vice-Chair), Joyce Murray (Vice-Chair), James Bezan, Tarik Brahmī, Corneliu Chisu, Cheryl Gallant, Éline Michaud, Rick Norlock, John Williamson

EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER ¹	TOTAL ²
Operational Budget ³	680	-	3,822	4,502
Defence of North America	7,937	953	1,424	10,313
TOTAL²	8,617	953	5,245	14,815

¹ "Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

² Differences in totals are due to rounding.

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STANDING COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENCE (NDDN) (CONT'D)

MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS				TOTAL MEETING HOURS	NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	TV ¹	VC ²	VR ³			
Standing Committee (NDDN)	37	3	5	7	60h03m	90	9
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SNDD) ⁴	1	-	-	-	0h23m	-	-
TOTAL	38	3	5	7	60h26m	90	9

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STANDING COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES (RNNR)

From April 1 to June 30, 2014, the Committee continued its study of the *Cross-Canada Benefits of Developing the Oil and Gas Industry of the Energy Sector*, presenting its Seventh Report to the House on June 11. The Committee heard from 35 witnesses during the 13 meetings devoted to this study, 8 of which took place during this period. In addition, the Committee held two meetings for its study of the *Opportunities for Canada to Contribute to Energy Security in Ukraine and the Rest of Europe*. It also examined and reported to the House on the Main Estimates 2014–15 and published a summary of evidence for its study of the *Rare Earths Industry in Canada*. On the legislative front, the Committee examined Bill C-22, An Act respecting Canada’s offshore oil and gas operations, enacting the Nuclear Liability and Compensation Act, repealing the Nuclear Liability Act and making consequential amendments to other Acts. The Bill was reported to the House with amendments on June 11.

In the period from July 1 to December 31, 2014, the Committee studied the *Subject Matter of Clauses 376 to 381 of Bill C-43, A second Act to implement certain provisions of the budget tabled in Parliament on February 11, 2014 and other measures*. The Committee devoted two meetings to this study and submitted a letter to the Chair of the Finance Committee. It also studied the Supplementary Estimates (B), 2014–15, which were reported back to the House on November 26. Lastly, the Committee held two meeting for its *Review of Propane Markets in Canada*.

During the period of January 1 to March 31, 2015, the Committee considered the *Canadian Forest Industry* by studying the Committee’s June 2008 report entitled, “Canada’s Forest Industry: Recognizing The Challenges And Opportunities”. The Committee then decided to undertake a study on the *Renewal of Canada’s Forest Industry* and devoted five meetings to that study. The Committee also began its study of Bill C-46, An Act to amend the National Energy Board Act and the Canada Oil and Gas Operations Act and devoted three meetings to hear witnesses.

MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2015)

Leon Benoit (Chair), Guy Caron (Vice-Chair), Geoff Regan (Vice-Chair), Kelly Block, Chris Charlton, Joan Crockatt, Linda Duncan, Ryan Leef, Pat Perkins, Brad Trost

EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER ¹	TOTAL ²
Operational Budget ³	-	275	1,618	1,892
Cross-Canada Benefits of Developing the Oil and Gas Industry of the Energy Sector	4,663	6,256	519	11,439
Opportunities for Canada to Contribute to Energy Security in Ukraine and the Rest of Europe	1,216	4,130	130	5,476
Bill C-22	9	996	130	1,135
Subject Matter of clauses 376 to 381 of Bill C-43	143	420	193	756
Renewal of Canada’s Forest Industry	6,296	2,126	301	8,722
Bill C-46	-	768	129	897
TOTAL²	12,327	14,970	3,019	30,316

¹ “Other” (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

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STANDING COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES (RNNR) (CONT'D)

MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS				TOTAL MEETING HOURS	NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	TV ¹	VC ²	VR ³			
Standing Committee (RNNR)	33	2	15	1	56h15m	130	4
TOTAL	33	2	15	1	56h15m	130	4

¹ Number of televised meetings.

² Number of meetings using videoconferencing.

³ Number of meetings video recorded by members of the Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery.

STANDING COMMITTEE ON OFFICIAL LANGUAGES (LANG)

From April 1 to June 30, 2014, the Committee continued its study of the *Economic Situation of Canada's Linguistic Minority Communities*. The Committee heard from the President of the CBC in relation to its study of *CBC/Radio-Canada's Programming Following Recent Budget Cuts*. Additionally, the Committee considered the Main Estimates 2014–15 and reported them back to the House on May 14.

In the period from July 1 to December 31, 2014, the Committee met to hear from the Commissioner of Official Languages in relation to the *2013-2014 Annual Report on Official Languages*. The Committee also began consideration of a draft report in regard to its study of the *Economic Situation of Canada's Minority Linguistic Communities*.

During the period of January 1 to March 31, 2015, the Committee completed its study of *The Economic Situation of Official Language Minority Communities* and presented its report to the House on March 13. The Committee then undertook a study of *The Government of Canada Programs Designed to Promote Francophone Immigration into Canada's Official-Language Minority Communities (OLMCs)* and held five meetings to hear witnesses. The Committee also undertook a study of *Managing and implementing the Roadmap for Canada's Official Languages 2013-2018: Education, Immigration, Communities*.

MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2015)

Michael D. Chong (Chair), Jamie Nicholls (Vice-Chair), Lise St-Denis (Vice-Chair), Corneliu Chisu, Joe Daniel, Anne-Marie Day, Jacques Gourde, Claude Gravelle, Chungsen Leung, John Williamson

EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER ¹	TOTAL ²
Operational Budget ³	-	-	2,587	2,587
The Economic Situation of Canada's Minority Linguistic Communities	9,598	962	933	11,493
The Government of Canada Programs Designed to Promote Francophone Immigration into Canada's Official-Language Minority Communities (OLMCs)	5,919	-	-	5,919
TOTAL²	15,517	962	3,520	19,999

¹ "Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

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STANDING COMMITTEE ON OFFICIAL LANGUAGES (LANG) (CONT'D)

MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS				TOTAL MEETING HOURS	NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	TV ¹	VC ²	VR ³			
Standing Committee (LANG)	27	5	5	1	44h32m	81	2
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SLAN) ⁴	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	27	5	5	1	44h32m	81	2

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STANDING COMMITTEE ON PROCEDURE AND HOUSE AFFAIRS (PROC)

From April 1 to June 30, 2014, the Committee continued and completed its study of Bill C-23, An Act to amend the Canada Elections Act and other Acts and to make consequential amendments to certain Acts. It held 13 meetings on the Bill during this period and presented its Eleventh Report to the House on May 5. Then, pursuant to the House order of reference of March 27, 2014, the Committee undertook a study of the *Use of House of Commons Resources by the Official Opposition*. The Committee also studied the Main Estimates 2014–15 for the House of Commons and the Chief Electoral Officer. In addition, it studied motions *M-431 (Election of Committee Chairs)* and *M-489 (Election of Speaker)* by inviting their sponsors to appear. Finally, the Subcommittee on Private Members' Business (SMEM) examined the private Members' bills and motions recently added to the Order of Precedence.

During the period from July 1 to December 31, 2014, the Committee presented its Eighteenth and Twenty-fourth reports containing the membership lists for standing committees. Following a decision by the House, the Committee's Twenty-fourth Report concerning changes to committee membership was concurred in. The House ordered that "there be no further proceedings in relation to the 18th Report of the Standing Committee." During the same period, the Committee concluded its study of motion *M-489 (Election of Speaker)*, and tabled its Twenty-first Report on October 3. It also considered Bill C-518, An Act to amend the Members of Parliament Retiring Allowances Act (withdrawal allowance) and reported it back to the House with amendments on November 5. The Committee studied Bill C-586, An Act to amend the Canada Elections Act and the Parliament of Canada Act (candidacy and caucus reforms) and began a study of motion *M-428*, which would introduce an electronic system for petitions. The Committee recommended several changes to the Standing Orders in its Twenty-eighth Report presented in the House on December 8. The Committee considered the *Question of Privilege Regarding the Free Movement of Members within the Parliamentary Precinct*. In addition, the Committee studied the Supplementary Estimates (B) 2014–15 and reported them back to the House on November 28. The Subcommittee on Private Members' Business examined the private members' bills and motions recently added to the order of precedence. Lastly, pursuant to an order of the House made November 27, 2014, the Committee established the Subcommittee on a Code of Conduct for Members (SCCC), which will examine policy options for addressing complaints of harassment between members of the House of Commons.

During the period of January 1 to March 31, 2015, the Committee continued and completed its study of Motion *M-428*, on implementing an electronic petitions system and presented its Thirty-third report to the House on February 26, which was then adopted on March 11. The Committee also completed its study of the *Question of Privilege Regarding the Free Movement of Members of Parliament within the Parliamentary Precinct* and presented its Thirty-fourth Report on March 26. The Committee also reviewed the *Order in Council appointment of Philippe Dufresne to the position of Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel of the House of Commons*. During the same period, the Committee undertook a *Review of the Conflict of Interest Code for Members of the House of Commons*, inviting the Conflict of Interest and Ethics Commissioner to testify on February 19. On February 4, the House of Commons adopted the Committee's Twenty-eighth Report, which recommended a number of amendments to the Standing Orders.

During the same period, the Subcommittee on a Code of Conduct for Members began a study of a code of conduct for members. Finally the Subcommittee on Private Members' Business reviewed private members' bills and motions added to the Order of Precedence.

MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2015)

Joe Preston (Chair), Alexandrine Latendresse (Vice-Chair), Kevin Lamoureux (Vice-Chair), David Christopherson, Tom Lukiwski, Dave Mackenzie, Ted Opitz, Scott Reid, Blake Richards, Craig Scott

STANDING COMMITTEE ON PROCEDURE AND HOUSE AFFAIRS (PROC) (CONT'D)

EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER ¹	TOTAL ²
Operational Budget ³	-	-	6,331	6,331
SCCC – General Operating Budget	-	-	479	479
Question of Privilege Related to Elections Canada and the Member for Selkirk-Interlake	-	-	479	479
Bill C-23	16,240	2,214	4,431	22,885
M-489, Election of Speaker	-	-	479	479
M-431, Election of Chairs	-	-	319	319
Use of House of Commons resources by the Official Opposition	-	-	828	828
Bill C-586	2,116	288	479	2,882
Question of Privilege Regarding the Free Movement of Members within the Parliamentary Precinct	-	-	718	718
Bill C-518	1,045	-	479	1,524
M-428, Electronic Petitions	2,939	693	718	4,350
SCCC-Code of Conduct for Members	-	498	-	498
TOTAL²	22,340	3,693	15,736	41,769

¹ "Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

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STANDING COMMITTEE ON PROCEDURE AND HOUSE AFFAIRS (PROC) (CONT'D)

MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS				TOTAL MEETING HOURS	NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	TV ¹	VC ²	VR ³			
Standing Committee (PROC)	52	22	7	1	83h44m	117	24
Subcommittee on Private Members' Business (SMEM) ⁴	5	-	-	-	0h55m	-	-
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SPRO) ⁴	3	-	-	-	1h46m	-	-
Subcommittee on a Code of Conduct for Members (SCCC) ⁴	7	-	1	1	8h30m	7	-
TOTAL	67	22	8	2	94h55m	124	24

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STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS (PACP)

From April 1 to June 30, 2014, the Committee considered and adopted reports on three additional chapters of the *2013 Fall Report of the Auditor General*: Chapter 7, Oversight of Rail Safety; Chapter 8, Disaster Relief for Producers; and Chapter 9, Off Shore Banking. The Committee also considered and adopted a report on one chapter of the *2014 Spring Report of the Auditor General*: Chapter 1, Public Sector Pension Plans. During this period the Committee also studied the Main Estimates 2014–15: Report on Plans and Priorities for 2014–15 and Performance Report for 2012–13 of the Office of the Auditor General of Canada and reported to the House.

In the period from July 1 to December 31, 2014, the Committee held meetings on three chapters of the *2014 Spring Report of the Auditor General*: Chapter 3, Aggressive Tax Planning; Chapter 6, Transfer Payments Programs—Canadian Northern Economic Development Agency; and Chapter 8, Meeting Needs of Key Statistical Data—Statistics Canada. The Committee adopted a report on Chapter 8 of the *2014 Spring Report of the Auditor General*, which was presented to the House on November 19. During this period, the Committee also studied the *Public Accounts of Canada 2014*, presenting its Eleventh Report to the House on December 1, and the *2014 Fall Report of the Auditor General*.

During the period of January 1 to March 31, 2015, the Committee completed its studies of two chapters of the *Spring 2014 Report of the Auditor General*: Chapter 3, Aggressive Tax Planning and Chapter 6, Transfer Payments Programs—Canadian Northern Economic Development Agency, and reported them to the House on February 23. The Committee also held hearings on four chapters of the *Fall 2014 Report of the Auditor General*: Chapter 2, Support for Combatting Transnational Crime; Chapter 3, Mental Health Services for Veterans; Chapter 5, Support to the Automotive Sector and Chapter 6, Nutrition North Canada — Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada. On Chapter 2, of the *Fall 2014 Report of the Auditor General*, the Committee also considered, adopted and presented a report to the House on February 23.

MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2015)

David Christopherson (Chair), John Carmichael (Vice-Chair), Yvonne Jones (Vice-Chair), Dan Albas, Malcolm Allen, Jay Aspin, Ted Falk, Alain Giguère, Bryan Hayes, Stephen Woodworth

EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER ¹	TOTAL ²
Operational Budget ³	-	-	2,132	2,132
TOTAL²	-	-	2,132	2,132

¹ "Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

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MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS				TOTAL MEETING HOURS	NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	TV ¹	VC ²	VR ³			
Standing Committee (PACP)	34	14	-	-	43h36m	82	14
TOTAL	34	14	-	-	43h36m	82	14

¹ Number of televised meetings.

² Number of meetings using videoconferencing.

³ Number of meetings video recorded by members of the Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery.

STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY AND NATIONAL SECURITY (SECU)

From April 1 to June 30, 2014, the Committee studied Bill C-483, An Act to amend the Corrections and Conditional Release Act (escorted temporary absence) and reported the Bill back to the House on April 2 with amendments. The Committee also concluded its study of the *Economics of Policing* and presented its Fourth Report to the House on May 12. The Committee began its study of *Social Finance as it Relates to Crime Prevention in Canada*. Lastly, the Committee considered the Main Estimates 2014–15 and reported to the House on May 12.

In the period from July 1 to December 31, 2014, the Committee studied Bill C-2, An Act to amend the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act, which was reported without amendment to the House on November 18, and Bill C-44, An Act to amend the Canadian Security Intelligence Service Act and other Acts, which was reported without amendment to the House on December 2. Other meetings were held on the *Subject Matter of Clauses 232 to 249 of Bill C-43, A second Act to implement certain provisions of the budget tabled in Parliament on February 11, 2014 and other measures* and on the *Subject Matter of the Supplementary Estimates (B) 2014–15*. The Committee also began a study of *Terrorist Entities*, considering threats posed to Canada's national security by individuals returning to Canada from having been involved with terrorist entities abroad.

During the period of January 1 to March 31, 2015, the Committee studied Bill C-12, An Act to amend the Corrections and Conditional Release Act, and reported it back to the House without amendment on February 4. The Committee also concluded its study of *Social Finance as it Relates to Crime Prevention in Canada*, and presented its Ninth Report to the House on February 16. In addition, the Committee commenced a study of *Employment and Skills Training for Offenders*. The Committee also studied Bill C-51, Anti-terrorism Act, 2015, for which it held 10 meetings with various witnesses, completed clause-by-clause consideration of the Bill on March 31 and reported it back to the House with amendments on April 2. Finally, the Committee received a briefing by the Commissioner of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police on the events that occurred on Parliament Hill on October 22, 2014.

MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2015)

Daryl Kramp (Chair), Randall Garrison (Vice-Chair), Wayne Easter (Vice-Chair), Diane Ablonczy, Rosane Doré Lefebvre, Ted Falk, Roxanne James, Rick Norlock, Lavar Payne, Jean Rousseau

STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY AND NATIONAL SECURITY (SECU) (CONT'D)

EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER ¹	TOTAL ²
Operational Budget ³	-	-	3,730	3,730
Economics of Policing	-	-	358	358
Bill C-483	-	-	91	91
Social Finance as it Relates to Crime Prevention in Canada	10,699	690	896	12,285
Bill C-2	5,636	1,060	594	7,291
Subject Matter of Clauses No. 232 to No. 249 of Bill C-43	35	558	91	685
Bill C-44	686	418	273	1,376
Bill C-12		300	235	535
Employment and Skills Training for Offenders	4,123	350	58	4,532
Bill C-51	16,772	2,239	2,011	21,022
TOTAL²	37,951	5,615	8,337	51,903

¹ "Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

² Differences in totals are due to rounding.

³ "Operational budget" contains expenditures for cases where no separate funding request has been made in relation to a study or an activity of a committee.

MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS				TOTAL MEETING HOURS	NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	TV ¹	VC ²	VR ³			
Standing Committee (SECU)	45	21	11	1	88h39m	165	7
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SSEC) ⁴	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	45	21	11	1	88h39m	165	7

¹ Number of televised meetings.

² Number of meetings using videoconferencing.

³ Number of meetings video recorded by members of the Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery.

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STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN (FEWO)

From April 1 to June 30, 2014, the Committee continued its study of *Eating Disorders Amongst Girls and Women*. It also examined the Main Estimates 2014–15 for the Office of the Co-ordinator, Status of Women, and reported its findings to the House on May 6. Lastly, the Committee began a study on the *Economic Leadership and Prosperity of Canadian Women*.

In the period from July 1 to December 31, 2014, the Committee completed its study of *Eating Disorders Amongst Girls and Women* and presented its report to the House on November 17. The Committee also continued its study of *Economic Leadership and Prosperity of Canadian Women* by holding public hearings. Furthermore, it began a study of *Promising Practices to Prevent Violence Against Women*.

During the period of January 1 to March 31, 2015, the Committee continued its study of *Economic Leadership and Prosperity of Canadian Women* including the consideration of a draft report. The Committee continued its study of *Promising Practices to Prevent Violence Against Women* and commenced a study of *Women in Skilled Trades and Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics Occupations*.

MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2015)

Hélène LeBlanc (Chair), Tilly O'Neill Gordon (Vice-Chair), Kirsty Duncan (Vice-Chair), John Barlow, Joyce Bateman, Joan Crockatt, Mylène Freeman, Pat Perkins, Djaouida Sellah, Susan Truppe

EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER ¹	TOTAL ²
Operational Budget ³	-	-	1,744	1,744
Eating Disorders Amongst Girls and Women	-	-	596	596
Economic Leadership and Prosperity of Canadian Women	3,181	3,345	1,792	8,318
Promising Practices to Prevent Violence Against Women	11,237	5,302	1,531	18,070
Women in Skilled Trades and Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics Occupations	-	-	752	752
TOTAL²	14,418	8,647	6,415	29,480

¹ "Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

² Differences in totals are due to rounding.

³ "Operational budget" contains expenditures for cases where no separate funding request has been made in relation to a study or an activity of a committee.

STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN (FEWO) (CONT'D)

MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS				TOTAL MEETING HOURS	NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	TV ¹	VC ²	VR ³			
Standing Committee (FEWO)	35	1	12	2	54h57m	97	2
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SFEW) ⁴	5	-	-	-	1h35m	-	-
TOTAL	40	1	12	2	57h11m	97	2

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STANDING COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORT, INFRASTRUCTURE AND COMMUNITIES (TRAN)

From April 1 to June 30, 2014, the Committee continued its study of the *Review of the Canadian Transportation Safety Regime: Transportation of Dangerous Goods and Safety Management Systems* and on June 13, as an interim report in relation to the study, presented its Third Report to the House. The Committee also studied the *Subject Matter of Clauses 212 to 233 and 375 of Bill C-31, An Act to implement certain provisions of the budget tabled in Parliament on February 11, 2014 and other measures*.

In the period from July 1 to December 31, 2014, the Committee continued its study of the *Review of the Canadian Transportation Safety Regime: Transportation of Dangerous Goods and Safety Management Systems*.

Between January 1 and March 31, 2015, the Committee completed its *Review of the Canadian Transportation Safety Regime: Transportation of Dangerous Goods and Safety Management Systems*, and presented its Fourth Report to the House on March 12 in relation to the study. The Committee also considered the Supplementary Estimates (C) 2014–15 as well as the Main Estimates 2015–16 and reported both back to the House on March 12. Furthermore, the Committee considered Bill C-627, An Act to amend the Railway Safety Act (safety of persons and property) and reported it back to the House with amendment on April 1. Finally, the Committee received a *Briefing of the Canadian National Railway Company on recent derailments in Ontario*.

MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2015)

Larry Miller (Chair), Hoang Mai (Vice-Chair), David J. McGuinty (Vice-Chair), Peter Braid, Ed Komarnicki, Isabelle Morin, Mike Sullivan, Jeff Watson, Wai Young, David Yurdiga

EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER ¹	TOTAL ²
Operational Budget ³	-	-	1,957	1,957
Review of the Canadian Transportation Safety Regime: Transportation of Dangerous Goods and Safety Management Systems	11,748	5,165	2,225	19,138
Bill C-627	-	-	183	183
TOTAL²	11,748	5,165	4,365	21,278

¹ "Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

² Differences in totals are due to rounding.

³ "Operational budget" contains expenditures for cases where no separate funding request has been made in relation to a study or an activity of a committee.

STANDING COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORT, INFRASTRUCTURE AND COMMUNITIES (TRAN) (CONT'D)

MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS				TOTAL MEETING HOURS	NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	TV ¹	VC ²	VR ³			
Standing Committee (TRAN)	33	14	6	-	50h13m	120	4
Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (STRA) ⁴	3	-	-	-	1h48m	-	-
TOTAL	36	14	6	-	52h01m	120	4

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STANDING COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS (ACVA)

From April 1 to June 30, 2014, the Committee continued its *Statutory Review of the Enhanced New Veterans Charter Act*. It heard from 18 witnesses over nine meetings and presented its report on June 3, 2014. In all, the Committee heard from 55 witnesses and held 19 meetings on the subject. In addition, the Committee examined the *Main Estimates 2014–15* for Veterans Affairs and the Veterans Review and Appeal Board and reported them to the House.

In the period from July 1 to December 31, 2014, the Committee studied Bill C-27, An Act to amend the Public Service Employment Act (enhancing hiring opportunities for certain serving and former members of the Canadian Forces), and reported it back to the House without amendment on October 30.

During the period of January 1 to March 31, 2015, the Committee undertook a study of the *Continuum of Transition Services*, hearing evidence from 17 witnesses during six meetings. The Committee also held a *Briefing on the Participation by Canadian Armed Forces in the Nijmegen March*, hearing from two witnesses. Finally, the Committee held a *Briefing on Upcoming Commemoration Initiatives* by the Department for 2015, and heard from two witnesses.

MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2015)

Royal Galipeau (Chair), Peter Stoffer (Vice-Chair), Frank Valeriote (Vice-Chair), Sylvain Chicoine, Laurie Hawn, Bryan Hayes, Pierre Lemieux, Wladyslaw Lizon, Ted Opitz, John Rafferty

EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER ¹	TOTAL ²
Operational Budget ³	-	-	1,114	1,114
Statutory Review of the Enhanced New Veterans Charter Act	19,884	-	1,204	21,088
Continuum of Transition Services	5,301	-	-	5,301
TOTAL²	25,185	-	2,318	27,504

¹ "Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

² Differences in totals are due to rounding.

³ "Operational budget" contains expenditures for cases where no separate funding request has been made in relation to a study or an activity of a committee.

MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS				TOTAL MEETING HOURS	NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	TV ¹	VC ²	VR ³			
Standing Committee (ACVA)	24	-	-	2	36h59m	47	3
TOTAL	24	-	-	2	36h59m	47	3

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LIAISON COMMITTEE (LIAI)

The Liaison Committee is composed of the Chairs of all the standing committees and the House Chairs of standing joint committees. Its main responsibility is to apportion funds to standing committees from the money allocated for that purpose by the Board of Internal Economy, a responsibility usually delegated to the Subcommittee on Committee Budgets (SBLI).

The Committee met once between April and June 2014 to discuss various administrative and financial issues, including the outfitting of the new parliamentary buildings and the broadcasting of committee meetings. The Committee also adopted its Third Report on Committee Activities and Expenditures, for the period from April 1, 2013, to March 31, 2014, and presented it to the House in June 2014.

The Subcommittee has met three times during the period of April 1 to June 30, 2014, to examine the budget requests for committee travel.

The Subcommittee met twice during the period of July 1 to December 31, 2014, to consider budget requests. The Committee did not meet during that period.

For the period of January 1 to March 31, 2015, the Committee met once in order to get an update on the pilot project on paperless committees and other administrative matters. The Committee adopted the Fourth and Fifth reports on Committee Activities and Expenditures, for the periods of April 1 to June 30, 2014, and of July 1 to December 31, 2014, respectively. Both reports were presented to the House on February 26.

The Subcommittee met three times during the period of January 1 to March 31, 2015, in order to review the budgetary requests for committee travel.

MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2015)

Dean Allison (Chair), David Christopherson (Vice-Chair), Harold Albrecht, Leon Benoit, Gordon Brown, Chris Charlton, Michael D. Chong, Pierre-Luc Dusseault, Royal Galipeau, Richard Harris, Randy Hoback, Peter Kent, Daryl Kramp, H  l  ne LeBlanc, Ben Lobb, Pat Martin, Phil McColeman, Larry Miller, Joe Preston, James Rajotte, Blake Richards, Bev Shipley, David Sweet, David Tilson, Mike Wallace, Rodney Weston

EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER ¹	TOTAL ²
Operational Budget ³	-	-	834	834
TOTAL²	-	-	834	834

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² Differences in totals are due to rounding.

³ "Operational budget" contains expenditures for cases where no separate funding request has been made in relation to a study or an activity of a committee.

LIAISON COMMITTEE (LIAI) (CONT'D)

MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STANDING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS				TOTAL MEETING HOURS	NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	TV ¹	VC ²	VR ³			
Standing Committee (LIAI)	2		-	-	1h48m	4	3
Subcommittee on Committee Budgets (SBLI) ⁴	8	-	-	-	1h34m	-	-
TOTAL	10	-	-	-	3h22m	4	3

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STANDING JOINT COMMITTEE ON THE LIBRARY OF PARLIAMENT (BILI)

From April 1 to June 30, 2014, the Joint Committee held one meeting on its study of the *Digitization of Parliamentary Documents*.

The Committee did not meet during the period between July 1 and December 31, 2014.

For the period of January 1 to March 31, 2015, the Committee met to discuss matters related to Committee business.

MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2015)

Richard M. Harris (Joint Chair), Marie-P. Charette-Poulin (Joint Chair), Carol Hughes (Vice-Chair), Scott Simms (Vice-Chair), Stella Ambler, Tyrone Benskin, Rod Bruinooge, Rob Clarke, Anne C. Cools, Nicole Eaton, Suzanne Fortin-Duplessis, Réjean Genest, Guy Lauzon, Terry M. Mercer, José Nunez-Melo, Lawrence Toet, Dave Van Kesteren

EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER ¹	TOTAL ²
Operational Budget ³	-	-	447	447
TOTAL²	-	-	447	447

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MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STANDING JOINT COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS				TOTAL MEETING HOURS	NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	TV ¹	VC ²	VR ³			
Standing Joint Committee (BILI)	2	-	-	-	1h18m	2	-
TOTAL	2	-	-	-	1h18m	2	-

¹ Number of televised meetings.

² Number of meetings using videoconferencing.

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STANDING JOINT COMMITTEE ON SCRUTINY OF REGULATIONS (REGS)

From April 1 to June 30, 2014, the Committee continued its review of statutory instruments and considered over 255 regulatory instruments, pursuant to its permanent order of reference, as set out in the *Statutory Instruments Act*. It presented its Third Report to the House on April 2.

In the period from July 1 to December 31, 2014, the Committee resumed its review of statutory instruments and considered 258 regulations.

During the period of January 1 to March 31, 2015, the Committee continued its study of statutory instruments and considered more than 100 of them. It also presented its Fourth Report to the House on March 25.

MEMBERSHIP (as of March 31, 2015)

Chris Charlton (Joint Chair), Denise Batters (Joint Chair), Garry Breitzkreuz (Vice-Chair), Mauril Bélanger (Vice-Chair), Dan Albas, Rob Anders, Paulina Ayala, Patrick Brown, Céline Hervieux-Payette, Jim Hillyer, Thomas Johnson McClinnis, Don Meredith, Wilfred P. Moore, François Pilon, Anne Minh-Thu Quach, Bob Runciman, David P. Smith, Brian Storseth, Maurice Vellacott

EXPENDITURES (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STUDY NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER ¹	TOTAL ²
Operational Budget ³	-	-	5,554	5,554
TOTAL²	-	-	5,554	5,554

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MEETINGS, WITNESSES AND REPORTS (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STANDING JOINT COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS				TOTAL MEETING HOURS	NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS
	Total	TV ¹	VC ²	VR ³			
Standing Joint Committee (REGS)	13	-	-	-	25h00m	-	2
TOTAL	13	-	-	-	25h00m	-	2

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COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES AND EXPENDITURES SUMMARY

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES BY COMMITTEE (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STANDING COMMITTEES

STANDING COMMITTEES AND SUBCOMMITTEES ¹	NUMBER OF MEETINGS				TOTAL MEETING HOURS	NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS ⁵
	TOTAL	TV ²	VC ³	VR ⁴			
Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development (AANO)	19	2	-	1	24h39m	77	4
<i>Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SAAN)</i>	4	-	-	-	0h45m	-	-
Access to Information, Privacy and Ethics (ETHI)	19	6	2	-	23h50m	55	6
Agriculture and Agri-Food (AGRI)	37	-	22	-	58h02m	182	6
<i>Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SAGR)</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Canadian Heritage (CHPC)	23	3	9	-	37h55m	103	7
<i>Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SCHP)</i>	1	-	-	-	0h47m	-	-
Citizenship and Immigration (CIMM)	25	14	10	-	46h04m	118	2
<i>Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SCIM)</i>	5	-	-	-	1h46m	-	-
Environment and Sustainable Development (ENVI)	32	1	10	-	48h10m	104	6
<i>Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SENV)</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Finance (FINA)	49	29	11	-	113h26m	442	5
<i>Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SFIN)</i>	6	-	-	-	3h31m	-	-
Fisheries and Oceans (FOPO)	24	-	-	-	30h38m	55	1
<i>Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SFOP)</i>	2	-	-	-	1h05m	-	-
Foreign Affairs and International Development (FAAE)	32	4	13	2	47h44m	104	5
<i>Subcommittee on International Human Rights (SDIR)</i>	43	27	6	-	40h21m	59	-
<i>Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SFAA)</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Government Operations and Estimates (OGGO)	28	12	6	-	40h43m	92	7

STANDING COMMITTEES AND SUBCOMMITTEES ¹	NUMBER OF MEETINGS				TOTAL MEETING HOURS	NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS ⁵
	TOTAL	TV ²	VC ³	VR ⁴			
<i>Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SOGG)</i>	1	-	-	-	0h25m	-	-
Health (HESA)	38	4	14	-	68h27m	156	8
<i>Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SHES)</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Human Resources, Skills and Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities (HUMA)	32	3	14	-	49h10m	147	6
<i>Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SHUM)</i>	3	-	-	-	0h44m	-	-
Industry, Science and Technology (INDU)	23	3	1	-	28h49m	102	2
<i>Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SIND)</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
International Trade (CIIT)	28	1	10	-	43h09m	93	3
<i>Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SCII)</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Justice and Human Rights (JUST)	52	20	22	7	92h04m	280	13
<i>Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SJUS)</i>	4	-	-	-	1h03m	-	-
National Defence (NDDN)	37	3	5	7	60h03m	90	9
<i>Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SNDD)</i>	1	-	-	-	0h23m	-	-
Natural Resources (RNNR)	33	2	15	1	56h15m	130	4
Official Languages (LANG)	27	5	5	1	44h32m	81	2
<i>Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SLAN)</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Procedure and House Affairs (PROC)	52	22	7	1	83h44m	117	24
<i>Subcommittee on Private Members' Business (SMEM)</i>	5	-	-	-	0h55m	-	-
<i>Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SPRO)</i>	3	-	-	-	1h46m	-	-
<i>Subcommittee on a Code of Conduct for Members (SCCC)</i>	7	-	1	1	8h30m	7	-
Public Accounts (PACP)	34	14	-	-	43h36m	82	14
Public Safety and National Security (SECU)	45	21	11	1	88h39m	165	7
<i>Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SSEC)</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

STANDING COMMITTEES AND SUBCOMMITTEES ¹	NUMBER OF MEETINGS				TOTAL MEETING HOURS	NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS ⁵
	TOTAL	TV ²	VC ³	VR ⁴			
Status of Women (FEWO)	35	1	12	2	55h36m	97	2
<i>Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (SFEW)</i>	5	-	-	-	1h35m	-	-
Transport, Infrastructure and Communities (TRAN)	33	14	6	-	50h13m	120	4
<i>Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure (STRA)</i>	3	-	-	-	1h48m	-	-
Veterans Affairs (ACVA)	24	-	-	2	36h59m	47	3
Liaison (LIAI)	2	-	-	-	1h48m	4	3
<i>Subcommittee on Committee Budgets (SBLI)</i>	8	-	-	-	1h34m	-	-
TOTAL STANDING AND SUBCOMMITTEES	884	211	212	26	1,341h13m	3,109	153

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES BY COMMITTEE (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015) (CONT'D)

STANDING JOINT COMMITTEES

STANDING JOINT COMMITTEES	NUMBER OF MEETINGS				TOTAL MEETING HOURS	NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS ⁵
	TOTAL	TV ²	VC ³	VR ⁴			
Library of Parliament (BILL)	2	-	-	-	1h18m	2	-
Scrutiny of Regulations (REGS)	13	-	-	-	25h00m	-	2
TOTAL STANDING JOINT COMMITTEES	15	-	-	-	26h18m	2	2

TOTAL ALL COMMITTEES

ALL COMMITTEES	NUMBER OF MEETINGS				TOTAL MEETING HOURS	NUMBER OF WITNESSES	NUMBER OF REPORTS ⁵
	TOTAL	TV ²	VC ³	VR ⁴			
TOTAL ALL COMMITTEES	899	211	212	26	1,367h31m	3,111	155

¹ In practice, most committees create a subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure, commonly referred to as a "steering committee", to help them plan their work. The establishment of subcommittees is usually designed to relieve parliamentary committees of planning and administrative tasks, or to address important issues relating to their mandate.

² Number of televised meetings.

³ Number of meetings using videoconferencing

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SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES BY COMMITTEE (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)

STANDING COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER ¹	TRAVEL	TOTAL ²
Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development (AANO)	14,255	-	2,481	57,636	74,372
Access to Information, Privacy and Ethics (ETHI)	12,648	2,442	4,616	-	19,707
Agriculture and Agri-Food (AGRI)	8,886	18,849	7,323	-	35,058
Canadian Heritage (CHPC)	22,052	4,427	3,652	-	30,131
Citizenship and Immigration (CIMM)	31,427	4,001	1,546	-	36,974
Environment and Sustainable Development (ENVI)	9,789	7,480	1,893	-	19,163
Finance (FINA)	68,471	7,851	14,959	-	91,281
Fisheries and Oceans (FOPO)	14,370	-	2,068	-	16,438
Foreign Affairs and International Development (FAAE)	27,072	11,897	13,099	-	52,067
Government Operations and Estimates (OGGO)	9,038	5,065	1,461	-	15,563
Health (HESA)	17,918	8,585	5,945	-	32,449
Human Resources, Skills and Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities (HUMA)	30,706	7,137	4,392	-	42,236
Industry, Science and Technology (INDU)	7,565	756	4,542	-	12,863
International Trade (CIIT)	11,099	6,521	6,602	-	24,222
Justice and Human Rights (JUST)	64,646	16,719	10,182	-	91,547
National Defence (NDDN)	8,617	953	5,245	-	14,815
Natural Resources (RNNR)	12,327	14,970	3,019	-	30,316
Official Languages (LANG)	15,517	962	3,520	-	19,999
Procedure and House Affairs (PROC)	22,340	3,693	15,736	-	41,769
Public Accounts (PACP)	-	-	2,132	-	2,132
Public Safety and National Security (SECU)	37,951	5,615	8,337	-	51,903
Status of Women (FEWO)	14,418	8,647	6,415	-	29,480
Transport, Infrastructure and Communities (TRAN)	11,748	5,165	4,365	-	21,278
Veterans Affairs (ACVA)	25,185	-	2,318	-	27,504
Liaison (LIAI)	-	-	834	-	834
TOTAL²	498,047	141,735	136,682	57,636	834,099

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES BY COMMITTEE (April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015) (CONT'D)

STANDING JOINT COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE NAME	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER ¹	TRAVEL	TOTAL ²
Library of Parliament (BILL)	-	-	447	-	447
Scrutiny of Regulations (REGS)	-	-	5,554	-	5,554
TOTAL²	-	-	6,001	-	6,001

TOTAL ALL COMMITTEES

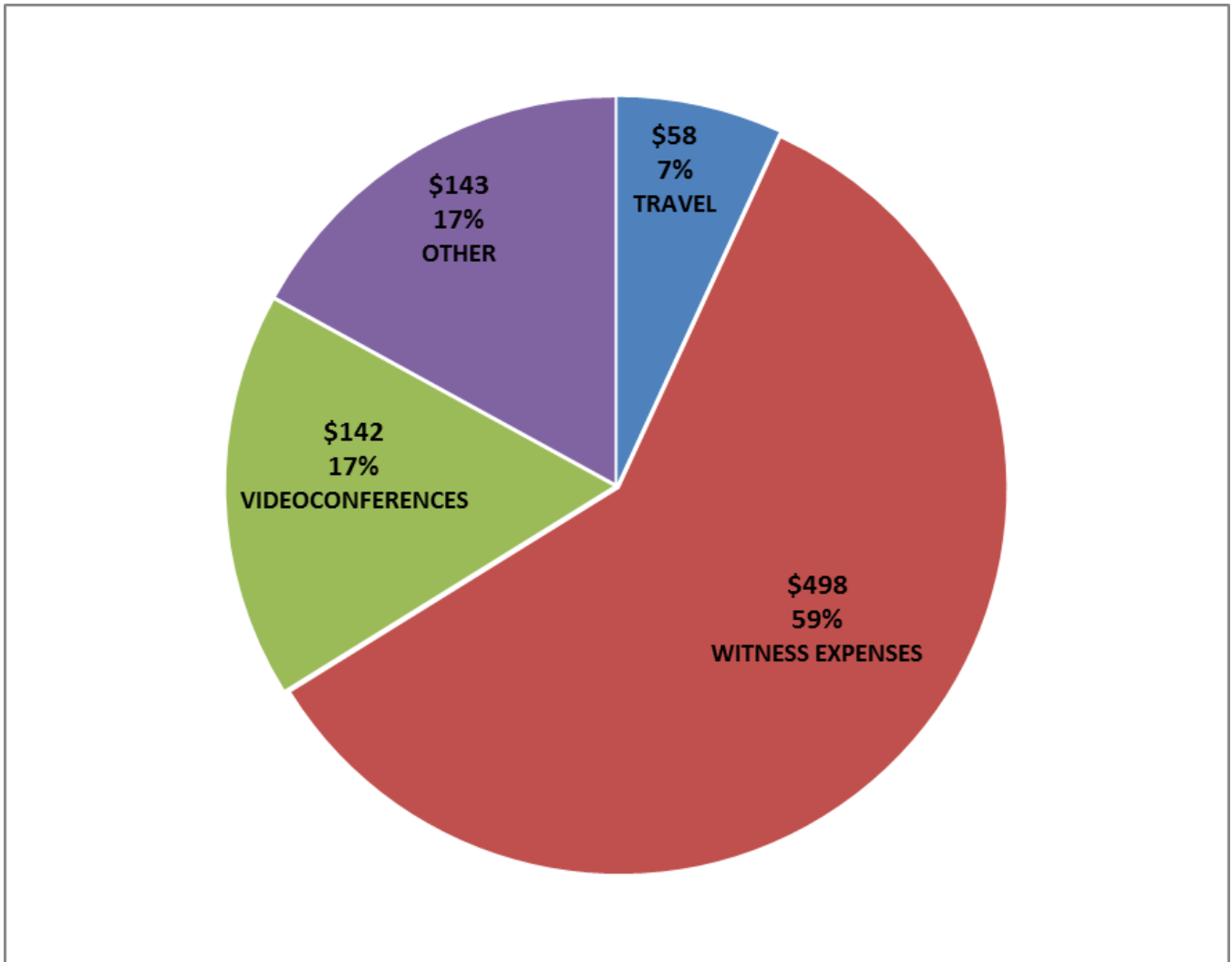
ALL COMMITTEES	WITNESS EXPENSES	VIDEO CONFERENCE	OTHER ¹	TRAVEL	TOTAL ²
GRAND TOTAL²	498,047	141,735	142,682	57,636	840,100

¹ "Other" (studies/operational) includes expenditures such as working meals, reports, professional services, audio-visual equipment and minor miscellaneous expenses.

² Differences in totals are due to rounding.

**COMMITTEE EXPENDITURES BREAKDOWN FOR ALL TYPES OF COMMITTEES
(April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)**

**FIGURE 1 – COMMITTEE EXPENDITURES BREAKDOWN FOR ALL TYPES OF COMMITTEES
(in thousands of dollars)**



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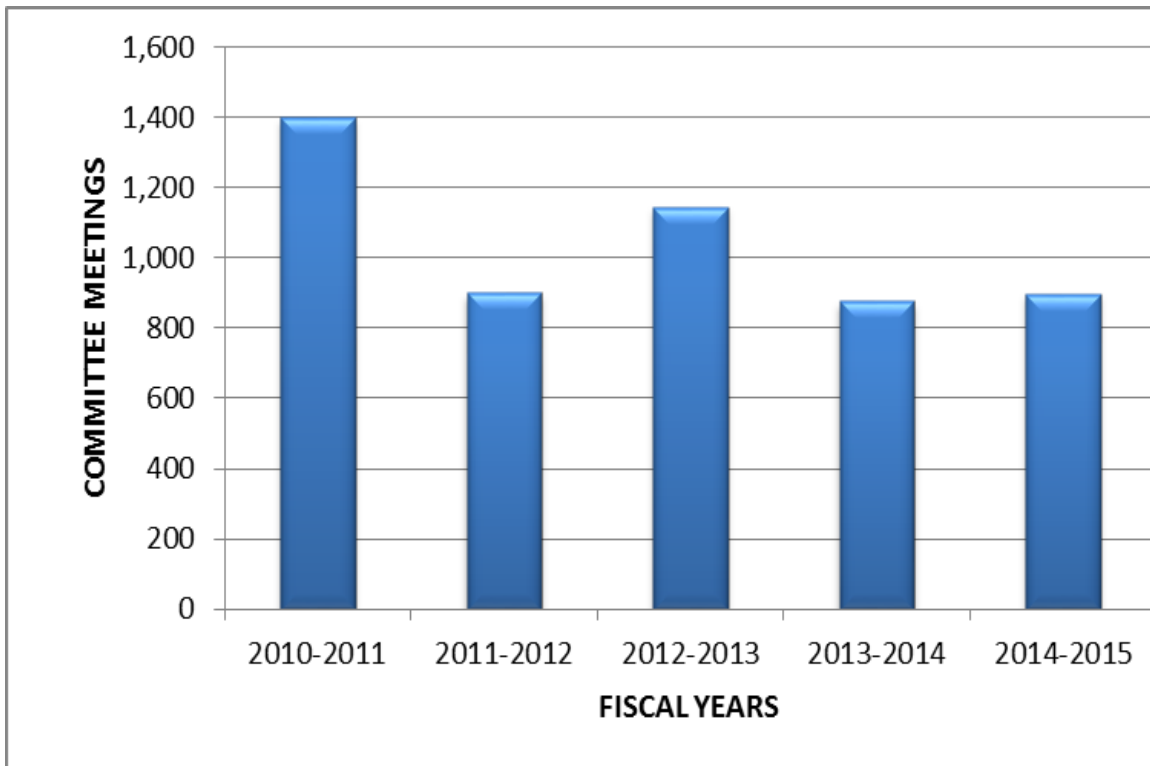
COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE LAST FIVE FISCAL YEARS

The tables below outline committee activities and expenditures over the last five years. Please note that all subcommittee expenditures have been added to the expenditures of the related standing committees.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THE LAST FIVE FISCAL YEARS

TYPE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS				
	2010–2011	2011–2012	2012–2013	2013–2014	2014–2015
Standing	1,358	885	1,134	859	899
Legislative	20	15	-	-	-
Special	22	-	10	18	-
TOTAL	1,400	900	1,144	877	899

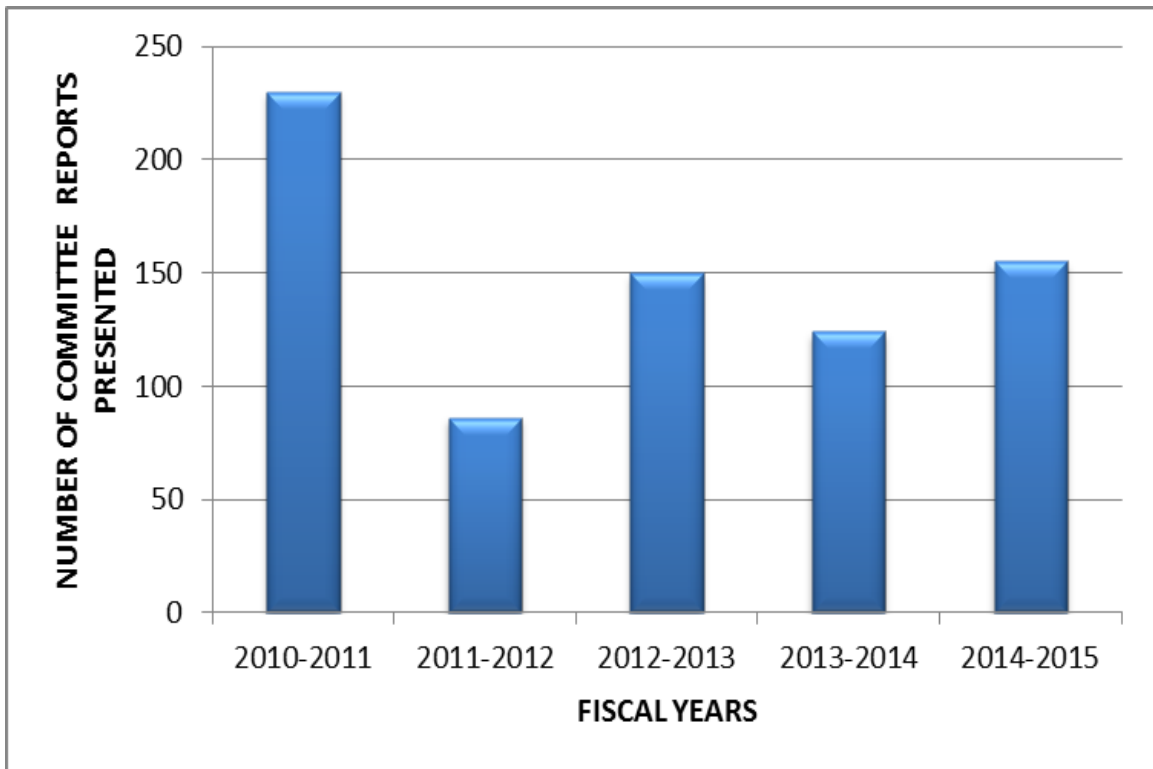
FIGURE 2 – COMPARISON OF THE NUMBER OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS OVER THE LAST FIVE FISCAL YEARS (ALL COMMITTEES)



COMMITTEE REPORTS FOR THE LAST FIVE FISCAL YEARS

TYPE	NUMBER OF REPORTS				
	2010–2011	2011–2012	2012–2013	2013–2014	2014-2015
Standing	227	84	149	123	155
Legislative	-	2	-	-	-
Special	3	-	1	1	-
TOTAL	230	86	150	124	155

FIGURE 3 – COMPARISON OF THE NUMBER OF COMMITTEE REPORTS OVER THE LAST FIVE YEARS



COMMITTEE MEETINGS BY TYPE OF ORDER OF REFERENCE FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS

**The following table is for all committees. Meetings where more than one order of reference is considered are tabulated as a meeting for each type. Consequently, the total number of meetings by type may be greater than the total number of meetings held.*

REFERENCE TYPE	NUMBER OF MEETINGS BY TYPE					% OF MEETINGS BY TYPE				
	10/11	11/12	12/13	13/14	14/15	10/11	11/12	12/13	13/14	14/15
House Orders of Reference	36	36	28	57	53	1.9	3.0	1.8	4.8	5.6
Standing Order 108 (2), (3) & (4)	838	526	706	435	505	42.9	43.2	44.7	36.6	41.5
Reports and Returns	25	5	23	35	6	1.3	0.4	1.5	2.9	0.5
Estimates	51	53	60	61	44	2.6	4.3	3.8	5.1	3.5
Order-in-Council Appointments	6	3	3	3	8	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.8
Legislation	258	78	174	115	175	13.2	6.4	11.0	9.7	16.5
Pre-budget Consultations	16	21	14	9	14	0.8	1.7	0.9	0.8	1.7
Written Questions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Responses to Petitions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Committee Business	692	462	527	408	353	35.4	37.9	33.3	34.3	28.9
Election of Chairs	32	35	46	66	13	1.6	2.9	2.9	5.6	1.2
Others	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL*	1,954	1,219	1,581	1,189	1,171	100	100	100	100	100

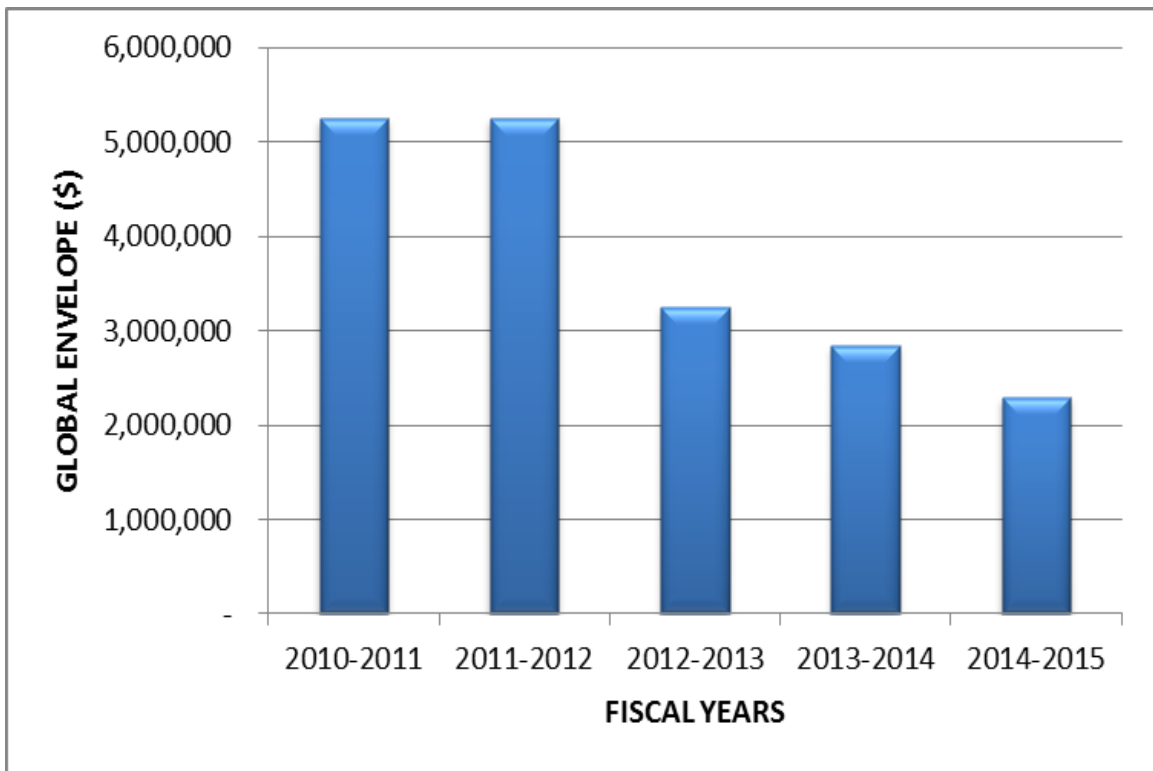
COMMITTEE REPORTS BY TYPE OF ORDER OF REFERENCE FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS

REFERENCE TYPE	NUMBER OF REPORTS BY TYPE					% OF REPORTS BY TYPE				
	10/11	11/12	12/13	13/14	14/15	10/11	11/12	12/13	13/14	14/15
House Orders of Reference	7	1	5	4	10	3.0	1.2	3.3	3.2	15.2
Standing Order 108 (2), (3) & (4)	107	22	52	34	46	46.5	24.7	34.7	27.4	26.1
Reports and Returns	2	1	7	9	2	0.9	1.2	4.7	7.3	0.9
Estimates	29	27	32	27	36	12.6	31.8	21.3	21.8	15.8
Order-in-Council Appointments	3	2	2	3	8	1.3	2.4	1.3	2.4	4.4
Legislation	66	19	38	32	43	28.7	22.4	25.3	25.8	25.4
Pre-budget Consultations	1	2	1	1	1	0.4	2.4	0.7	0.8	0.6
Written Questions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Responses to Petitions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Committee Business	3	1	1	3	3	1.3	1.2	0.7	2.4	0.9
Striking of Committee Membership	12	11	11	11	6	5.2	12.9	8.0	8.9	10.7
Others	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL*	230	86	150	124	155	100	100	100	100	100

GLOBAL ENVELOPE FOR COMMITTEES FOR THE LAST FIVE FISCAL YEARS

GLOBAL ENVELOPE (\$)					
	2010-2011	2011-2012	2012-2013	2013-2014	2014-2015
Core funding	5,000,000	5,000,000	3,000,000	2,600,000	2,050,000
E-consultation services and expert resources	250,000	250,000	250,000	250,000	250,000
Total	5,250,000	5,250,000	3,250,000	2,850,000	2,300,000

FIGURE 4 – COMPARISON OF THE GLOBAL ENVELOPE FOR THE LAST FIVE FISCAL YEARS

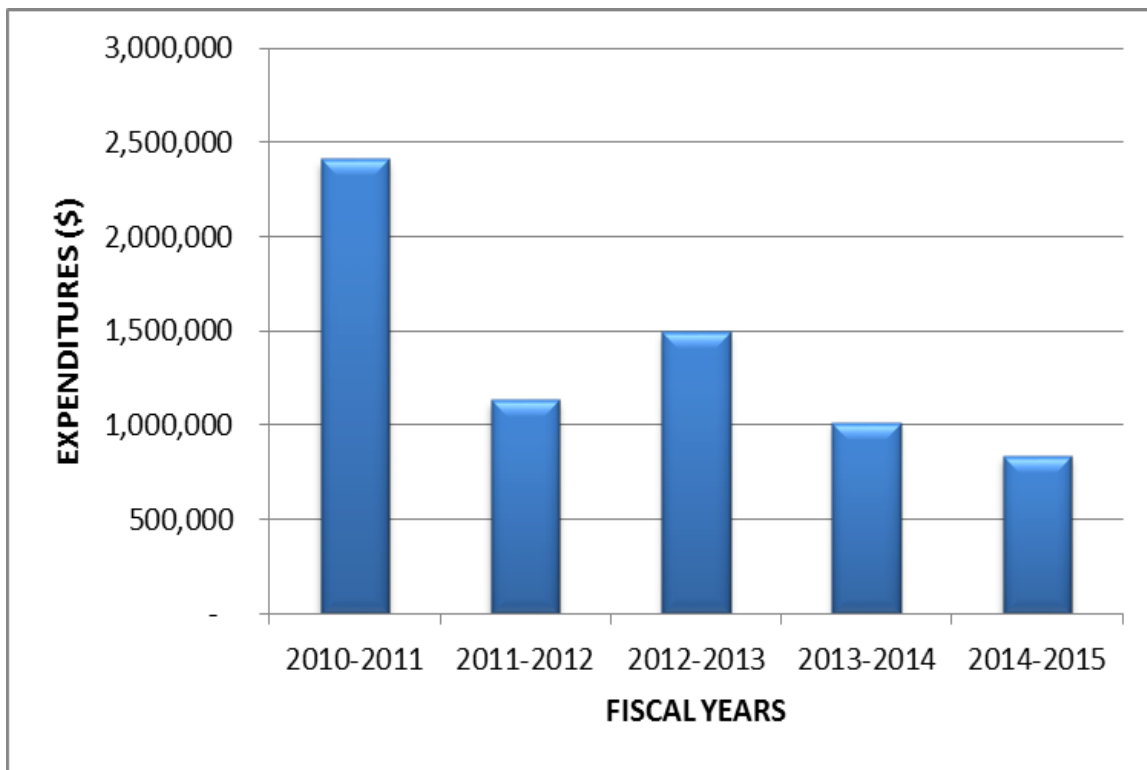


COMMITTEE EXPENDITURES FOR THE LAST FIVE FISCAL YEARS

TYPE	EXPENDITURES (\$)				
	2010–2011	2011–2012	2012–2013	2013–2014	2014-2015
Standing	2,216,340	1,105,575	1,450,039	995,263	840,100
Legislative	41,183	30,333	6,661	-	-
Special	153,179	-	36,886	20,341	-
TOTAL*	2,410,701	1,135,908	1,493,586	1,015,604	840,100

* Differences in totals are due to rounding.

FIGURE 5 – COMPARISON OF COMMITTEE EXPENDITURES FOR THE LAST FIVE FISCAL YEARS (ALL COMMITTEES)



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