

## Ethics Documentation — Information and Consent

Research Project: Committees as a Workplace

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**Thank you very much in advance for completing this survey.**

**It should take no longer than 8 minutes.**

The purpose of the study is to better understand the work and experiences of Members of Parliament in standing committees in the House of Commons in the 44<sup>th</sup> Parliament.

Your participation in this study is voluntary. You may decide not to be in this study. Even if you consent to participate, you have the right to not answer individual questions or to withdraw from the study at any time. If you choose not to participate in the study or leave the study, it will have no effect on you. If you decide to withdraw from the study, you may do so at any time by exiting the survey window.

The survey is being sent to all backbench Members of Parliament in the Canadian House of Commons. **Your responses will be kept STRICTLY ANONYMOUS. Your name will NOT be associated with your answers.** This survey is available in both English and French.

The benefit of participating in this study is that your responses will contribute to knowledge about committees as a workplace in the Canadian House of Commons. You may not benefit personally from your participation and will not be reimbursed.

**Your confidentiality will be maintained at all times.** The only identifying information that will be collected is a range of the number of years you have been a Member of Parliament and which party you represent in the House of Commons. The data will be stored in a secure folder. The data may be retained indefinitely and could be used for future research purposes (i.e., to answer a new research question). By consenting to participate in this study, you agree that your data can be used beyond the purposes of this present study by either the current or other researchers.

Participants will not be able to withdraw from the research after submitting their surveys. You are encouraged to save a copy of this letter for your own records. You do not waive any legal right by participating in this study.

If you wish to participate in this study, please close this window and indicate your consent to begin the survey.

If you have questions at any time about the study or its results, you may contact:

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