Education (General Provisions) (Helping Families with School Costs) Amendment Bill 2023

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Dear Members of the Qld Government Education, Employment and Training Committee,

I am writing on behalf of Centacare FNQ and the School Savvy program to express our wholehearted support for the Education (General Provisions) (Helping Families with School Costs) Amendment Bill 2023. We believe this proposed legislation will have a profoundly positive impact on families and students, particularly those from disadvantaged backgrounds, and will help foster a more inclusive and equitable education system.

School Savvy FNQ is committed to ensuring that every child has access to the resources and opportunities necessary for a successful educational journey. We are therefore well aware of the financial burden that many families face when it comes to providing their children with the essential supplies, uniforms, and other school-related costs. The proposed amendment to the Education (General Provisions) Bill is aligned with our organization's mission and values, and we firmly believe that it will make a significant difference in the lives of countless families in our community.

This amendment, which aims to alleviate some of the financial stress on families, is particularly commendable as it reflects a shared commitment to enhancing educational outcomes and minimizing the educational divide in our society. By providing financial assistance to families in need, the bill ensures that no student is left behind due to financial constraints. This approach will ultimately lead to increased student engagement, improved academic performance, and a more inclusive learning environment for all.

We appreciate the government's dedication to addressing this important issue and commend the measures outlined in the Education (General Provisions) (Helping Families with School Costs) Amendment Bill 2023. We firmly believe that this bill has the potential to transform the educational landscape and contribute to a more equitable and inclusive society. It aligns perfectly with our organization's goals and initiatives, and we are excited about the positive impact it will have on the lives of the families we serve.

We are enthusiastic about the positive change it will bring to the lives of families and students in our region. Thank you for your dedication to improving educational opportunities for all, and we look forward to witnessing the positive impact of this legislation.

Yours sincerely,

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