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

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Dear Education, Employment, and Training Committee

My name is Callum and I live with my wife and three school age children in Burnside QLD. With respect to the subject of public school funding in QLD, below are my thoughts:

- providing this and future generations with truly free public schooling only makes sense. With the relief of financial and resource pressures teachers and students will have be able to focus on what they are at school to do, learning.
- it goes without saying that bare minimum requirements for running a state school should be covered by the state. Why make educating our young people harder than it needs to be. It shouldn't even be a question that teachers and students are provided with the minimum that need.
- with the immense financial and cost of living pressures on families these days it only makes for the state to relieve some of this pressure by covering extra costs encountered by families. Why should some children miss out on extra curricular activities because their families can't afford it and basic things like uniforms and equipment.
- here is an example from my child€™s school and how her education is affected by poor funding. She is in a class with a number of high needs neuro divergent children, which is fine, except there is not enough funding for support teachers to assist these children. Therefore as my child as a well behaved she is always put near these kids in the hope that her good behaviour will help to influence theirs. The result is my child being constantly distracted and pestered and having trouble concentrating on her work for which her grades are suffering.

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Yours sincerely,

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