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To whom it concerns

Homeschooling our children provides the freedom and peace our kids need to perform within their time frame and mindset. As a Queenslander who homeschooled my child I am against the current formatted legislation. I am submitting this letter to support our freedom to homeschool our own way.

We already have a reporting system that is the most rigorous in the country, and by adding more to it you are taking away our time from our children and creating unnecessary stress and workload to the parents. The Australian national curriculum is archaic and narrow minded in concepts. It is not necessary in homeschooling education in its entirety. It is not mentioned in other Australian states legislation so why ours? Milestones of our children's personal and educational growth and progress should not be required across every subject. We incorporate multiple subjects into a core subject eg maths through cooking -weights.

Forcing this unnecessary mandatory reporting is just more work for parents taking time away from the kids education. HEU struggles already to process works.

Heu has no right to request reports if our child is not registered. If my child isn't registered there is a rationale reason that has nil bearing on HEU.

I homeschooled my child as it was the best thing for us as a family. It has strengthened the bonds between family members and avoided the many stressors teenagers experience through school such as physical and emotional abuse, drugs, online bullying etc. My child would have been a victim to this pathway and instead she has blossomed to a resilient caring young lady who is a community care assistant nurse whilst studying a nursing degree. This was only possible due to her homeschooling journey.

Parents do not and should not have to prove homeschooling is in our child's best interests. It is our choice as a parent and child. We have proven time again that home schooling works it is time the govern recognised these achievements.

Regards Deborah Bartle