

## Education (General Provisions) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2024

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### Submitter Comments:

I was home schooled in a traditional manner (without the use of an approved program) during all of my primary school years, and up until grade 9, which was when I began distance education. In fact, up until Grade 11, I did not follow a program consistent with an approved education or training facility. Actually, my mum provided me with old 'hand me down' homeschooling resources, with much of it relating to science and biology. However, with reptiles being my main passion, I had the time to learn all I could about them, own them and present them to friends and family from home. Today, at age 18 I have completed a venomous snake handler's course, acquired my Wildlife Exhibitors License, started a new business called 'Reptile's Edge' and just begun a Bachelor of Animal Ecology at Sunshine Coast University. If not for being able to hone in on my passion of reptiles, I would not have these achievement plus many more on my resume. I'm concerned that other home-schooled students won't be able to receive a tailor-made program to suit their interests if this bill passes.