

Education (General Provisions) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2024

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I am a mum of three special needs children of varying medical issues. We recently purchased our forever home and our boys attended the local public school. My youngest was on a daily basis assaulted numerous times. Refused his communication device because it went against the school's policy of devices on the school grounds, the relentless amount of money spent on said device, not to mention all the NDIS funding spent to help him. I pulled all three of my children from the school because their safety couldn't be looked after. Not learning anything in the public system because the supports were not there for them, to have to turn around and then be told I am to provide high quality education when the school system can't is a joke. Kids with difference don't fit the perfect little box and as parents we know our children best. These proposed changes not only impact myself and my three boys, but it impacts thousands. How are we expected to implement the new curriculum when the local public schools can't provide it for the students who are currently enrolled? Why is it that a government doesn't allow for other methods of teaching? Methods that have proven to have a better learning outcomes for students? If your hoping the gap between homeschooling and public school education to be closed, I am sad to say, your only going to make it the gap wider.