

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

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### Submitter Comments:

To whom it may concern, I do not agree with the proposed Educational Changes, in regards to home-schooling. These changes will drastically and negatively affect thousands of homeschoolers across Queensland. As a home-schooling mother, my children are able to learn about an array of subjects that interest them, while learning about core subjects. Both my children have varying styles of learning. My eldest, who learns very quickly and maintains everything that is taught, is an extremely high energy child with an attention span wanes quickly. Mainstream schooling would not work well for my eldest, as they need movement and different settings to be able to pay attention. The National Curriculum (new or old) would not work well, as my child learns spectacularly through subjects they are interested in. Forcing the Curriculum up them would only lead to a disinterest in learning and a decline in what they learn. My second child is in complete contrast to my eldest, being quietly spoken and slower to grasp concepts. However, once they do, if interested, they will fixate upon it and continuously return to the topic to learn more or to go over what they have already learnt. Rushing this process leads to anxiety, overwhelm and occasionally meltdowns, as the repetition gives them comfort. Once again the National Curriculum would only do detriment to them and how they learn. Another concern, is that by the government's own rights a "high quality education," is defined by: is responsive to the changing needs of the child as indicated by the short and long term educational and personal goals has regard to the age, ability, aptitude and development of the child concerned is conducted in an environment conducive to learning is responsive to the child's needs for social development utilises suitable and relevant teaching strategies to deliver the educational program to the child engages the child in rich and varied learning experiences is supported by sufficient and appropriate resources uses strategies for monitoring educational progress. In all of these aspects home-schooling out performs mainstream schooling, as it allows complete one on one personalised learning with the child in question, so why are homeschoolers being strong armed into change? Another concern I have is that this change in legislation is a complete overreach of power, invading into parenting choices that are of the business of the parents and children only, and seems as if it is a stepping stone into even more intrusive areas of parenting. My last concern, even as I right this, is that this process to allow feedback and concern is all for show, and the concerns of the entire (unconsulted) home-schooling community will be ignored. Regards