

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

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### Submitter Comments:

Our family has utilised home schooling at different times for different reasons for different children. We have previously home schooled our 2 eldest children for a year in NSW during early primary to undo a very difficult start to school that ended up with them going backwards in knowledge and competency. They then returned to mainstream school when we moved to a different town and all our children have remained in mainstream schooling until we moved to QLD during covid for work. 3 of our children coped with this move and were able to adjust fairly well however our son struggled particularly with reading and writing. We decided to home school as we needed the time and the space to bring him back to a love of learning. This meant that we focused pretty heavily in this area for a good 12 months or so but homeschooling gave us this chance. If we had to cover everything for year 4 in the Australian Curriculum this tailoring and focus could not of happened. I am also concerned with the amount of report writing that appears to be required. This is something that teachers also find gets in the way of them teaching. Paperwork does not improve outcomes. The current system of supplying a report every 12 months showing how the child has engaged with learning in English, Maths and 1 other subject is sufficient to show that learning is happening and opportunities have been provided. This is also an appropriate amount for HEU to read. Homeschooling has provided so many opportunities and has been invaluable for those that don't fit into mainstream schooling; from those that have disabilities, are nuero divergent, need acceleration or just want to do things differently.