

Education (General Provisions) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2024

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Dear Committee Members

I am writing to express my **strong opposition** to the proposed changes in homeschooling legislation, particularly the requirement to follow a specific curriculum. As a homeschooling parent, I firmly believe that these changes would undermine the very reasons why many families, including mine, have chosen homeschooling as the preferred mode of education for our children.

The essence of homeschooling lies in the freedom it affords children to learn in a manner that aligns with their individual interests, abilities, and learning styles. By imposing a mandated curriculum, these proposed changes would impede my children's autonomy and hinder their ability to pursue education in a way that best suits their needs.

One of the primary motivations for homeschooling is to provide our children with a **personalized learning experience** that fosters their intellectual curiosity and allows them to learn at their own pace. These new regulations threaten to restrict this flexibility and stifle their natural inclination to explore and discover the world around them.

Furthermore, enforcing a standardized curriculum fails to recognize the diverse interests and talents of homeschooling students. It overlooks the fact that every child is unique and may thrive in different subject areas or learning environments.

By imposing rigid educational requirements, we risk depriving our children of the opportunity to pursue their passions and develop their full potential.

In essence, these proposed changes would not only undermine the fundamental principles of homeschooling but also limit my children's ability to learn and grow in a way that honors their individuality and creativity. As a homeschooling parent deeply invested in my children's education, I urge the committee to reconsider these restrictive measures and instead **focus on supporting families** in providing a rich and diverse educational experience tailored to the needs of each child.

Had you considered talking to any homeschool families about their experiences or their reasons for homeschooling you would learn that there is more to this than just trying to force a standardized uniformity amongst all children. Don't we WANT there to be diversity in our culture - isn't that what makes Australia great? As a community we feel personally attacked by

this decision and disregard for any alternative life. Throughout all human life there needs to be freedom of choice freedom to homeschool - this decision will strip that from a huge community

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Sincerely,

Alyssa Krieg - homeschool parent of 4 children

