

Education (General Provisions) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2024

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Dear State Member of Parliament's, I am writing to express my deep concern regarding the recent education legislation changes that have been proposed in our state. As a constituent and a member of the community, I believe it is crucial to voice my apprehensions about the potential impact of these changes on our education system. I am homeschooling three amazing neurodivergent children, who learn so differently from what school would expect from we have worked hard with specialist's, spending thousands of dollars to understand our children individually and how to best tailor their education, it is our job as parents to support our children to be the strongest version of themselves. My wife and I have experienced falling through the cracks at school, we never want our children to experience that, so we work hard to teach and inspire our children to learn and understand themselves and to chase their passions and dreams in life. The proposed legislation raises several pressing concerns that I believe need to be addressed. Firstly, I am greatly concerned about the proposed changes in the curriculum, I know after working to understand my children with my wife and with the help of specialists that these changes would greatly affect my children and their learning in a negative way, I believe it will truly destroy their spark, their wonder in the world that my wife and I have worked so hard to create. They learn so well emerging themselves fulling into activites and enjoy hands on learning. Moreover, I am worried about the lack of transparency and public consultation surrounding these changes. As a stakeholder in our education system, I believe it is imperative for the voices of educators, parents, students, and community members to be heard and considered in any decision-making process that impacts our schools. Additionally, in light of these concerns, I urge you to carefully reconsider the proposed education legislation and to prioritize the best interests of our students, teachers, and schools. I implore you to advocate for a more inclusive and collaborative approach to policymaking that values input from all stakeholders and ensures the integrity and quality of our education system. Thank you for taking the time to read my letter and for considering my concerns. I look forward to your response and to further dialogue on this important issue. Sincerely, Nathan Pierce (Father, Husband and Homeschooling Parent to three amazing children who deserve to love their own education)