

Education (General Provisions) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2024

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Dear Committee,

I strongly object to the proposals in the Education Bill 2024.

Having been forced out of the school system due to lack of accommodations for my neurodivergent child, we have embraced homeschooling as a wonderful way to learn. Homeschooling has reduced anxiety and associated behaviours and has changed out whole family dynamic for the better, enabling learning to happen.

- Removal of provisional registration.

I have serious concerns regarding the removal of provisional registration. When my child was no longer capable of attending school, I needed time to make a plan whilst also caring for their mental health needs. I needed time to read and learn and understand how homeschooling could work for my child, the processes around registration and putting together a twelve month plan. This all needed to be completed during a time of extreme stress and pure exhaustion for myself and my child. To remove provisional registration altogether is completely inadequate in supporting a parent's right to act in the best interests of their child's education and overall wellbeing.

- Increased reporting expectation to demonstrate the educational progress.

To provide proof of progress across all subjects is unreasonable and holds home educators to a higher standard than schools. All children learn at differing levels and paces, whether traditionally schooled or home educated. Neurodivergent children with additional learning difficulties have extra challenges and will likely not progress in all areas every year. Expecting them to do so is unrealistic and I feel there is a disconnect with this expectation as these children would not necessarily achieve this within the schooling environment either.

Thank you for your time - I trust my objections and concerns will be taken into account. Please remove identifying information prior to public posting.

Warm regards,
Brooke Tozer

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