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Dear Members of parliament,

I am writing in regards to the proposed changes to the national curriculum for Qld home schoolers.

I DO NOT agree with the proposed changes.

I understand that in a school environment, a 'one size fits all' approach is taken, however so many kids fail or get left behind as teachers are under the pump to teach what is on their plan and unfortunately some kids get it, some don't.

We don't want to use the national curriculum because it does not work for all kids; it is outdated and made to tick the learning boxes with no preparation for real life. Most of the kids who homeschool are there because your system has failed them before.

When we are faced with such a high youth crime rate and a non-compliance to attend school in this country, you look to add 10,000 kids back into an underfunded, under staffed and under resourced environment.

With bullying and anxiety and other mental illness rates so high already this will cause more pressure, not only to students but to parents as well.

We don't want to use the national curriculum because it does not suit all children. Children who have different learning styles are left feeling stupid and dumb.

We homeschool because we believe it to be in the best interest of our children.

We have reluctant learners at times who would fail in a class room environment.

We like that we can focus on their individual needs and spend more time when they don't grasp a concept.

There are aspects of the curriculum that we morally do not agree with and believe they should have no part of a school curriculum.

A needed provisional registration because, it's a lot to research, a lot of time to write programs and when full registration is taking months to be approved, something needs to be in place for transitioning.

I can't report on academic progress across all subjects every year as this is a lot of work that takes time away from my kids and no HEU representative is going to read it all. Its redundant.

Now if you created an app that we could upload things as we do them and collate it into one report I would be more inclined to do this.

I object to the proposed change that someone else gets to make the choice that homeschooling is in the best interest of my child because this takes our constitutional right as a parent away. With the way the world is now and the way teenagers act we believe homeschooling is the best interest of our children.

We provide a wholesome education without the bullying, gender identity issues, unnecessary stress and pressure.

We cannot put our faith in a school system that has a track record to do more harm to children sometimes mentally and physically, actively turning a blind eye to issues as it may offend someone. How can a system know my child better than me. We teach them from the moment they breath for the first time. How is a school system safer for my child.

We in the homeschooling community put effort and time into our children, we raise them with manners and morals to be a contributing member in society.

We are raising 11-year-old twin girls.

One who is active with girl guides and the community, the other who loves sewing classes and community activities. who are both well-mannered independent young ladies that are happy and healthy.

Please tell me how putting these amazing girls into a school is better for them?

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