

Education (General Provisions) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2024

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I object to the proposed changes to homeschooling in QLD. We have tried multiple modes of learning for our children, both in the private schooling system and through distance education and what has worked best for our children is homeschooling with our own chosen curriculum. We have chosen homeschooling as a way to focus on our children's interest points and encourage them in extending their learning and to fill in gaps that were left by the schooling system where they needed extra support. We object to being forced to follow Australian curriculum as I believe that's not the best way for all children to learn and I have seen this first hand. Homeschooling with a tailored curriculum allows flexibility and for each individual child to be supported and nurture a love of learning in their particular field of interest. For example, one of our children(year 3) has thrived as we've encouraged her love for cooking. As part of cooking and baking she need to know measurements, reading recipes, following directions and math such as doubling the recipe. She used to struggle with learning but is now so interested and engaged that learning isn't a problem and she will happily do her book work knowing that afterwards she can make a new recipe. This is just a very small snippet of how we can customize our children's learning to suit their individual needs with the freedom of homeschool. Please don' t change what is already working for not just our children, but children all over QLD.Thank you