

## Education (General Provisions) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2024

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Dear Di Farmer MP and Esteemed Committee Members,

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the proposed amendments to the Education (General Provisions) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2024. Specifically, I DO NOT support the requirement for home educated students to follow the Australian curriculum.

As a grandparent of a boy with ADHD, severe anxiety and Ehlers Danlos Syndrome I watched his disappointment having been suspended many times from a Queensland Government School from year 1 to year 4. The teaching staff had no idea how to satisfy his learning requirements and were totally unskilled to provide a quality learning environment.

I was excited to hear when my daughter decided to forgo her Certificate 3 in Education Support to concentrate on home schooling my grandson. The difference since commencing the home schooling has been remarkable. He is a happier boy now interested in learning and enjoying the learning experience that his mother is providing. He is learning in a way that best serves his needs in subjects he is genuinely interested in.

This is far better than being replaced by an uninspiring, outdated curriculum that does little more than prepare them for standardised testing rather than living in the world as a contributing member of society.

I urge the committee to reconsider these restrictive measures and instead focus on supporting home school families in providing a rich and diverse educational experience tailored to the needs of each child.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Concerned Grandfather