

Education (General Provisions) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2024

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To the Education, Employment, Training and Skills Committee,

I am writing to object to the Education (General Provisions) and Other Legislation Bill 2024 in the current form. I have specific concerns with the implications of Clauses 18, 64 & 68 and I am in support of the Free2homeschool Movement. These changes will impact the wonderful home educating families I know, including my own, restricting us in our freedom of choice when it comes to educating our children, therefore having a detrimental effect on thousands of children across the state.

This will have a direct impact on my own family. My children were both struggling within the prescribed school system and have grown and flourished under home education where we have had the freedom to really focus on exploring both areas of strength and areas needing support. I know this wouldn't have been possible within the school system because there simply aren't the resources to be spared for children who don't conform.

I think the proposed changes will only drive people who wish to home educate into hiding. There are so very many ways to learn, and further restrictions will be detrimental to anyone who falls outside of the narrow definition of learning pushed by mainstream education.

Perhaps resources would be better spent on considering why so many are now rejecting mainstream schooling. That the problem might lie within in the system, and not with parents having a rational reaction to their children's distress within it.

Kind regards,
Natalie Saville

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