Education (General Provisions) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2024

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Dear Committee,

I object to the proposals in the Education Bill 2024.

I started year 7 at a public high school in **Sector** in 2022. It was horrible. I was bullied and I felt lost and alone. I hated high school and I couldn't learn because it was always so noisy and the other kids would put me down.

I started to refuse to go to school. I couldn't handle it anymore. I was depressed and I had appointments at Headspace but nothing was helping. Eventually my mum and dad took me out of school because I wasn't going and I was too upset to learn anything anyway.

In the beginning I was depressed from everything that had happened. But then I slowly started learning with my mum and my dad. I made friends that home school nand they weren't nasty like some of the school kids. I started to do horse riding and feel like myself again. Now I am learning and I am not struggling because I need to learn the basics before I can learn what I am meant to learn in Year 9.

You think I should go back to school? I am happy and learning at home and I actually have friends now. I had none of that at school. So before you go and make stupid legislation about what I should be doing, maybe talk to all the kids who left school because their parents loved them too much to let them be destroyed by your system.

From,

Home schooled 14 year old