

Education (General Provisions) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2024

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Dear Committee members,

As a dedicated homeschooling parent, I am deeply concerned about the proposed changes that would require homeschooling families to follow the Australian curriculum. My family chose the path of homeschooling because we believe it offers the best educational experience for our children—one that is tailored to their unique needs, interests, and abilities.

My kids have never been to school, and I have watched them thrive, and learn easily. They learn in a way that suits them, and in their own time. I have no doubt both of my boys would have disengaged with traditional school and probably think themselves 'dumb' like so many of their school friends think about themselves. School is too much, too soon, for many. I watched my kids learn to read at their own pace, with no pressure and they love books because of it. My kids are happy, relaxed, smart, and articulate boys who are thriving in a home-educated environment. They have more time to spend on their passion - sport - one son has played Rep Cricket for his region for 3 years running.

Homeschooling has given our children the freedom to be themselves—to learn, grow, and explore the world around them on their own terms. Unlike the rigid confines of the Australian curriculum, homeschooling allows us to provide a holistic education that nurtures their individuality and fosters a lifelong love of learning.

The proposed changes to mandate the Australian curriculum for homeschooling families are unnecessary and unwanted. Our children are thriving with the way

that we have decided to educate them. The government has no right to decide if we can be allowed to home-educate our children.

Thank you for considering the perspectives of homeschooling families like mine. We are committed to providing our children with the best possible education and respectfully request that our freedom to homeschool be protected.

Sincerely,

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