

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

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To Whom It May Concern

I'd like to oppose the changes to the bill that are linked with homeschooling.

**1. I do not think homeschoolers should be forced to follow the Australian curriculum.**

I strongly believe that parents of homeschoolers know their children best and, as such, are best equipped to investigate, plan and implement curricula that suit their children's learning styles, personalities, ability levels, and interests best.

We live in an era where there are so many high quality, well-developed curricula available, that parents have a wonderful variety to choose from. Homeschooling dynamics vary from family to family, and child to child, and often, so does the curriculum one chooses. Being forced to stick with one prescribed curriculum takes away the freedom, flexibility and benefit of choosing a curriculum that has been carefully thought out and tailored to a family's needs / optimal functioning.

There is enough evidence that shows that the "Australian curriculum box" does not fit / benefit all children. So many homeschoolers have taken different learning paths, and have thrived and gone on to contribute to the community in diverse, even entrepreneurial ways.

Parents are the ultimate authority over their children. Unless they are harming their children, there is no reason to hamper the good they are doing for their children.

**2. I do not think reporting on all subjects is beneficial.**

Reporting is very time consuming, as it is, with just 3 subjects to report on. It takes away precious, valuable time from being with our children, researching and planning for the next year's learning.

I feel that having to report on all subjects will demand so much unnecessary time from parents!

Please, do NOT implement the proposed changes!  
Keep Queensland free and fair!

Regards,

Janine Boman

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