

Education (General Provisions) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2024

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Barry O'Rourke Member for Rockhampton

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Dear Barry,

I am writing to express my deep concern regarding the recent education legislation changes that have been proposed in our state. As a constituent, a concerned great-grandparent and a member of the community, I believe it is crucial to voice my apprehensions about the potential impact of these changes on our great-grandchildren.

The proposed legislation raises several pressing concerns that I feel need to be addressed. Firstly, I believe a curriculum is already in place for home schooling tutors to access, funding should not be compromised for education of children regardless of how parents choose to school them, the teachers need to have autonomy over the children's learning processes and the welfare of their children.

I have watched my great-grandchildren thrive and become inquisitive learners with a thirst for knowledge and a love of reading while being taught by their mother. Their parents ensure they have time to explore and experience through different activities and social interaction which encompasses all facets of learning skills. They are confident, capable and active. I would hope that restrictions would not be imposed that would alter this process.

I am concerned that the legislation has been introduced without proper consultation with current homeschooling families and hope that you will take my feedback into consideration. In light of these concerns, I urge you to urgently reconsider the proposed education legislation and to prioritise the best interests of the students. For education to be inclusive of all students, I believe it is important to understand the reasoning behind the education decisions of the families who struggle the most to fit into mainstream education.

Thank you for taking the time to listen to my concerns. It is my hope that going forward, this legislation can suit the needs of all students across Queensland. I look forward to hearing your response about this important issue.

Sincerely,
Janet Lawrie