

Education (General Provisions) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2024

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As homeschoolers who have taken the time and effort to register as homeschoolers under the Queensland government we see these proposed changes in regulations as intrusive and unacceptable for both ourselves as well as those who will seek to homeschool in the future. The requirement to come directly under the Australian national curriculum, without choice, makes no sense as this is only one of many possible curriculums which could be drawn from to provide a well rounded and balanced education. Also the curriculum is designed for a traditional 1 teacher to many students classroom setting and does not take into account individual students needs or learning requirements. As personalised learning is one of the main reasons to home-school this takes away true school choice for students and families. The removal of the grace period to submit a homeschooling plan puts undue pressure on parents who are seeking to act with in the government regulations, especially if the student is being withdrawn from a traditional school setting due to bullying from students or teachers or for mental health reasons. Also open ended and undefined statements such as "provided in the best interest of the child" have the potential to strip the rights and discernment of parents in relation to their children, as who is now to decide what the definition is of the best interest of the child. It is for reasons such as but not limited to these stated reasons that I would request that this legislation change not be approved.