

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

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### Submitter Comments:

There is ambiguous wording in the proposed legislation that should be revised: "(da)for chapter 9, part 5, home education of a child or young person should be provided in a way that —(i)is in the best interests of the child or young person taking into account their safety and wellbeing; and(ii)ensures the child or young person receives a high-quality education"Who decides what is in the best interest of our own children?The National Curriculum is designed for large classrooms of children, not for a personalised teaching environment. It does not accommodate for children with disabilities or auditory processing problems that require additional assistance or more teacher involvement. They are often left to struggle on their own or a parent is required to find additional help outside of school hours.Should a parent continue to leave their child in a school being bullied when the school is aware, knows about it but does nothing. With suicide being the biggest fear of a parent surely the best interest of the child is removing them from that situation. Often changing schools can help but often the same problem exists at the next school. Homeschooling is the safer alternative. The current registration and reporting system is working well, there is no need to change it.Instead of making things more prescriptive for homeschooling families, the Government should review the school system and find out why so many students are leaving it or why parents are deciding to homeschool.