

Education (General Provisions) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2024

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I strongly object to the proposed changes to homeschooling legislation in Queensland. I originally sent my child to our closest public school with high hopes for her education. The early entry age combined with a very driven Prep teacher led to her having issues with school refusal within weeks. Despite the advice of a child psychologist the school refused to let her try Prep the following year when she had turned 5. By grade one she was depressed and anxious and hated school. We unenrolled her at the end of the year and enrolled in HEU. While she is still reluctant to undertake formal learning we can engage her in activities she enjoys. We visit our local library weekly, have a weekly social group, 10-pin bowling group, indoor soccer, regular visits to our local art gallery and participate in art classes. Being forced to use ACARA to plan and report would be very difficult for us and would have no benefit to my child. These changes will only create extra, unpaid, work and stress for me in writing more detailed plans and reports.