

Education (General Provisions) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2024

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I am writing to you with my concerns regarding the proposed amendments to the education bill that has recently been presented to parliament. As a home educating parent, I do not support these changes that have been introduced and I am worried about the impact that they will have on my family and the homeschooling community. I am particularly concerned about following the Australian curriculum in a homeschool environment. This will affect my school aged child as he will be unable to complete work ahead of his grade level, we have chosen to homeschool to allow my child the opportunity to have individual needs met, for us this is working on areas of academic development that are beyond any of which he would learn at his grade level. Being a FIFO family, homeschooling allows us a greater learning and family lifestyle balance with untraditional working hours. I'm concerned that the legislation has been introduced without proper consultation with current homeschooling families and an understanding of why we have chosen to take this educational path. I hope that you will take my feedback into consideration. 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,