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

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## **Dear Committee Members**

I am a 12 year old boy that has been home schooling for over four years. In that time, my parents have allowed me to follow my interests while still learning to read, to write and to do maths.

I am opposed to some of the changes in the proposed Education Bill. The only part that benefits me is allowing home schooling to go to 18 years. This will allow me to keep learning at home if I choose for an extra year that is not available at the moment.

I do not believe it is in the best interests of home schooled children to be limited to the Australian Curriculum. My parents already provide me with a high quality education that is much better.

I love history, particularly anything about Wars. I choose to learn about this in my own time as well as when we are doing "school". I have learned so many things about history and I find it interesting learning about what led up to these events, as well as what happened after. If I was at school I would not have this opportunity. I am very grateful to my parents for giving me this opportunity.

I am currently working on improving my writing and learning to write essays. I am using this submission to practise my persuasive writing skills. I hope you will listen to us now as we haven't been listened to up to this point. This is very unfair and not what a good government would do. A good government listens to its people and does what is in the best interest of their people.

I also do not think it is fair that you are expecting my parents to spend all their time doing complicated reports. They should be using this time to spend with us helping us learn and taking us to activities.

I do a lot of fun activities, such as drama, highland dancing, art and an exercise class. I am currently preparing for competitions and exams for highland dancing. I am very grateful to my parents for these opportunities.

Please listen to home schoolers. We are living our best lives and learning all the time. This bill will not improve our learning. If you want to do something that will improve our learning, please provide resources to our parents that school children have.

Thank you.