

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

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I am a 9 year old boy. I have Autism and am home schooled by my mum. I used to go to school in prep, grade 1 and grade 2. I didn't like school, I had a good friend (who I still see now) but school was hard for me. The school work was very boring and didn't interest me, it made me hard to focus and I often got sent home as I would have a meltdown and it wouldn't be safe for my friends. I had a meltdown because I had lots of anxiety, the work was too hard when I wasn't interested. I had to take medication to help with my anxiety, but this wasn't enough, I still felt really bad inside. My friends were able to complete the work and I was left behind, I was a failure, I never wanted to go to school, I was scared people would laugh at me for struggling with the work. I'm not dumb, if they showed me a different way, maybe I would understand, but teachers don't have time for that. My mum and dad took me out of school and now my mum home schools me. I get to learn what I want, what interests me. I learn English and math and all the other important subjects, but I learn them in a fun way, a way I understand. I love homeschooling, I feel better now. I hardly have any meltdowns now. I am happy! I have lots of homeschool friends who I see regularly and I enjoy learning. Please don't take away my happiness. I've tried to learn that way and it doesn't work for me. My brain is different. Not all people learn the same way. I hope you listen to my email