

Education (General Provisions) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2024

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Submitter Comments:

I opposed the new proposed legislation as a homeschooling mother of over 10 years. Whilst my journey is coming to an end, I will vehemently fight for the right of those starting their journey and for future generations. I do not agree with that wall home educators must follow the Australian curriculum. It is a one size fits all and is clearly failing so many families. A much broader way of educating our children as individuals is freely available and works much better for many families. I do not agree with the non-provisional registration. The way the system is now runs perfectly fine, and gives families the opportunity to adjust to leaving the school system. I do not agree the right or reason to homeschool should be left in the hands of the government to decide. This part of the legislation looks like a slippery slope of government interference in a family's decision to home educate. The only part of the proposal I agree with is raising the age to 18 years. Home education is thriving, because it works. I have two teenagers who are valued community members. One has left home education and works full time in I.T with a bright future ahead and the other is finishing her education and going into her own business in the arts. She has already expressed her desire to home educate her children (when she has some down the track) as she has loved this journey.

Those making these decisions clearly have not spent time or engaged the broader homeschooling community of Queensland, because if you did, you would see there is no need to "fix" what isn't broken.