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

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Dear Committee,

## I object to the proposals in the Educational Bill 2024.

I have particular concerns about.

1. Home school students not being able to use a personalised curriculum for their children and particularly the impact this will have on neurodiverse children and children with disabilities.

My neurodivergent child struggled significantly whilst at school following the standard education curriculum even after working in with the school with various therapists recommendations and tailoring the curriculum, it caused extreme anxiety, stress, mental fatigue and daily school refusal. Since beginning home education in May 2022 my child is now thriving and achieving, by being able to work self-paced with interest led and hands on learning experiences incorporated in our home education plan and wants to engage in learning everyday.

- 2. The requirement to show proof that homeschooling is in the best interest of the child before being allowed to homeschool. Currently it is every parents right to choose homeschooling as an alternative to mainstream education.
- 3. The removal of the provisional registration period, especially for those traumabased students who need to leave the school environment urgently to protect their physical and mental wellbeing.

My neurodivergent child was not coping at all in the school environment both personally or academically and myself had never done home schooling before. By having the provisional registration period gave my child the opportunity to be able to leave the school environment straight away giving some relief from the constant daily extreme anxiety and stress and myself the time to seek the information needed to make a positive informed choice for my child that home education was going to be the right education pathway and time to create an educational learning plan to support this.

4. The oversight of university studies not being included as an approved senior study option.

Kind regards