Education (General Provisions) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2024

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Submitter Comments:

I am reaching out to express my concerns over the proposed changes to homeschooling regulations in Queensland (QLD). Having navigated through various educational paths including private and public schooling, our family has embraced homeschooling as a preferred method for our children's education. This choice has allowed us to create an exceptional learning environment tailored specifically to our children's individual needs and learning styles. Through homeschooling, we have had the flexibility to select from a diverse range of leading curriculums from around the world, ensuring that each child's education is not just standard but exceptional, catering precisely to their unique requirements. This approach has significantly contributed to our children's academic advancement, placing them years ahead of their peers when testing them against the Australian Curriculum. The proposed limitation of homeschooling to the Australian curriculum raises considerable concerns for us. Such a restriction would not only impede our children's progress by narrowing their learning resources but also detract from the rich, diverse educational experience we are currently able to provide. We fear that this change could severely limit the opportunities for homeschooling families to offer a truly customised and effective education. We urge a reconsideration of these proposed changes, advocating for the continuation of a more flexible homeschooling framework that recognises and supports the diverse needs of children and their families in QLD. Thank you for taking the time to consider our perspective.