Education (General Provisions) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2024

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Submitter Comments:

I wish to make an objection to the bill proposing changes to homeschooling in QLD, 2024.

Homeschooling was a deeply considered decision for me-I wish to raise and educate my children in the way I think will honour my childrens' identities, nourish their intersts and gifts, and shelter them from political and ideological forces that do not align with our family values and convictions. As it stands, I currently have 1 child in state education, and two at home which was a decision based on their individual needs and opportunity for growth. I will continue to make choices in regards to their education in ways I see will benefit them- academically, emotionally, and socially. I believe the proposed changes are taking away the beauty of homeschooling. Homeschooling allows for interestbased pusuits, quality family experiences, travelling, learning through life experiences, engaging in volunteering and community events and allows parents to formulate a routine that works for their own unique family and children. Forcing families to follow the same curriculum that schools do, does not consider the bigger picture of why families choose to homeschool. I hope the decision made in regards to the proposed bill, is not made lightly, and that it indeed is an educated one, that considers homeschool families' opinions and objections. It is our childrens' right to receive a quality education, that's for sure, however parents know their children best and if we are willing and able to support our children in reaching their potential (in which ever way suits our children best), than don't take that away.