Education (General Provisions) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2024

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I am currently 14 years old, I have always been home educated, and do not agree that the proposed changes to the home education bill will benefit me, or anyone else!

I was not ready to learn to read at 6 or even 7 years old. I don't think the national curriculum recognises that it is normal for some kids to not be ready to read until they are 9 or 10, so it doesn't make sense to impose it on everyone. Myself and my siblings have learned to read a number of years later than people expect kids in school to learn, without any pressure or stress, and when we learned it was QUICKLY! Not only are we all fluent readers now, we also LOVE reading!

So PLEASE do not do anything that might take away kids love of learning because I'm sure being made to read when I wasn't ready yet might have been detrimental to my enjoyment of it now, and maybe even to the ease I learned it with! Imagine how many other kids might feel the same? Kids need the freedom to learn things when we are ready! Imagine how many more kids in school might love to read if their experience was like mine!

DON'T CHANGE HOMESCHOOLING LEGISLATION!