

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

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Dear Committee Members,

I am writing so that you hear my voice please. I do NOT support the changes to the education legislation that have been proposed for QLD.

I didn't receive an email from the Home Education Unit with any information regarding the legislation so I am concerned its been introduced without proper consultation with current homeschooling families.

As a parent of a neurodivergent teen, I have liaised tirelessly with his former school to try to implement recommendations from specialists and to stop the relentless bullying. Unfortunately, the school was unable to meet my teens needs, and he quickly became disengaged.

My teen learns best with a Interest-Led learning style. This enables him to become deeply immersed in an area of interest and this will often cross at least 5 key learning areas. The current flexibility we have to select from any range of resources, anytime, anywhere, means my teen is now thriving and is completely engaged in learning. Adhering to the Australian Curriculum would render this impossible for my teen. In addition, the internationally recognised course he is currently studying would be unavailable to him under the proposed changes. How would restricting my teen to the Australian Curriculum be a High Quality Education when his education needs extend outside it? That's the equivalent of making a size 11 foot wear a size 8 shoe.

Please, please consider the many families like mine and reject these proposed changes to the legislation. We genuinely want the best for our children, and I know for a fact that this bill is not in my teens best interest.

Thank for taking the time to read through my submission.

Sincerely

Anna Carrick

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