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Dear Committee,

I'm writing with objections to the proposals in the Education Bill 2024.

Please find some of my concerns regarding the bills proposed changes to homeschooling below.

Homeschooling in Queensland has increased by almost 300% in the last five years. Parents are finding successful and educational ways to interact with their children both scholastically and with the world around them from home. Given the past 2\3 years of interrupted education, children are finding that learning from home is much more stable and with a caring environment therefore more willing to learn. Families choose this environment and education due to a one on one basis rather than larger classrooms, thus also mixing with other like minded homeschool groups. The children have a more healthier outlook and more stable and loving environment. I believe the Government should be looking at why people are leaving the school education curriculum.

One of the proposed changes to the bill defines a 'high quality' education as the Australian curriculum and states that home schoolers must follow this curriculum, provide reports as well as evidence of progression in all curriculum subjects . It concerns me that no discussion with homeschooling or even parenting and education communities has taken place regarding what constitutes a "high quality education", instead the government is proposing a mandated approach to a standardized curriculum. Each child is different. One learns at different speeds. In the Education system, some children are left behind as teachers are unable to give one on one attention to each child. Parents should be able to choose what's in the best interest of their child, including choosing a curriculum that works for their child. The Australian curriculum is designed for large classrooms, not personalized learning environments.

The current registration and reporting system is working just fine. Why change it.

In the case that a child needed to quickly leave school, due to a trauma situations for example, would they need to provide a plan/report including all eight curriculum subjects before doing so, if so this would be very concerning.

In conclusion, I respectfully urge the committee to reconsider the proposed changes to homeschooling legislation, working towards an educational system that respects the values and concerns of all families.

Regards

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