

Education (General Provisions) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2024

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Dear Submissions committee,

I am writing to express my concerns re the proposed Bill to change conditions for homeschoolers in Queensland.

I am a Mum of 2 children who we originally sent to school to which we then pulled them out and started homeschooling due to increased anxiety and overwhelm from the expectations in Prep. We then continued to homeschool for 2 years and loved being able to provide what my children needed and to the levels where they were. It also meant I could spend the one on one time that they needed. We then decided to move them both to distance education due to their personal choices and that choice has benefited us as well.

It concerns me the changes that are being proposed because it will impact parents being able to meet their children's needs and meet where their children are at. I don't feel there is 1 way to school a child and that every child is different. You only have to look at how many children are struggling in the mainstream system and the increased numbers of homeschoolers to see that. Children are struggling with the expectations, the pressure and the boxes that the mainstream schooling puts them into. Homeschooling gives parents the option to tailor the work and workload to their children. Mental health of our children is also so incredibly important and it worries me that the proposed changes are not taking any of this into consideration.

As I said I no longer homeschool my children but see a massive need for it and potentially will homeschool them down the track as well. I choose to follow what is best for my child because I can and because as a parent I know my child and their limits and exactly where they are at.

Thank you

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