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**EDUCATION AND INNOVATION  
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Mrs Rosemary Menkens MP  
Chair  
Education and Innovation Committee  
Parliament House, George Street  
BRISBANE QLD 4000

Dear Mrs Menkens

Thank you for your letter dated 24 April 2013 inviting me to consider the Education Legislation Amendment Bill 2013.

I wish to advise that I have considered the Education Legislation Amendment Bill 2013 and I have no major concerns in relation to the proposed amendments.

The Commission had previously provided advice in relation to the *A Flying Start for Queensland Children* Green Paper. The Commission's recommendations at the time included provisional support for moving Year 7 to secondary school, conditional on:

- consultation with upper primary and lower secondary students, and
- planned transitions that are adequately resourced and address the risks of moving students into a less structured and protected social environment.

Should your officers require any further information please contact Ms Susan Dwyer, Principal Advisor, on [REDACTED]

Yours sincerely

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Acting Commissioner for Children and Young People  
and Child Guardian