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Dear Bruce Flegg MP

Thank you for consulting with CCIQ in relation to the Education and Training Legislation Amendment Bill.

The Education and Training Amendment Bill deals with several issues:

1. Mandatory reporting requirements for school in relation to sexual abuse of students
2. Extending the ability for universities to lease or sublease trust land from 25 years to 100 years
3. Clarifying that Statutory TAFE institutes must operate as not-for-profit entities
4. Broadening the range of factors that can be considered by the Minister when considering an application for recognition for an overseas schools.

As the first three issues sit outside CCIQ's core functions, we are unable to provide a comment on these issues.

CCIQ strongly advocates for the provision of the highest quality education and training in Queensland schools, training providers and universities. The intent of the amendment (4) is to ensure the quality of the Queensland Certificate of Education by enabling the Minister to take into consideration an overseas school's compliance with the licensing agreement for use of syllabuses approved by the Queensland Studies Authority. Queensland business and industry currently recognise the Queensland Certificate of Education and rely on the data when considering applicants for employment, including apprenticeships. CCIQ would therefore be supportive of the amendment and the intention to maintain the integrity of the Queensland Certificate of Education.

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Regards,

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