

Education (General Provisions) (Extension of Primary Schools in Remote Areas) Amendment Bill 2023

Statement of Compatibility

Prepared in accordance with Part 3 of the Human Rights Act 2019

In accordance with section 38 of the *Human Rights Act 2019*, I, Robbie Katter, Member for Traeger, make this statement of compatibility with respect to the *Education (General Provisions) (Extension of Primary Schools in Remote Areas) Amendment Bill 2023*. In my opinion, the *Education (General Provisions) (Extension of Primary Schools in Remote Areas) Amendment Bill 2023* is compatible with the human rights protected by the *Human Rights Act 2019*.

Overview of the Bill

The primary policy objective of the *Education (General Provisions) (Extension of Primary Schools in Remote Areas) Amendment Bill 2023* is to address the need for increased access to designated secondary education services in remote Queensland communities.

To address these issues, the Bill empowers remote communities and families to seek improved local educational access when practically needed. To facilitate this, the Bill provides powers and, importantly, responsibilities to the relevant Minister to expand up to Year 10 the educational offerings of existing primary schools in relevant locations and under certain circumstances.

Human Rights Issues

In my opinion, this Bill does not contravene any human right listed under Part 2, Division 2 and 3 *Human Rights Act 2019*.

It does not restrict an individual's civil and political rights, such as freedom of movement, freedom of thought, freedom of expression, property rights, privacy and reputation or recognition and equality before the law.

Conclusion

In my opinion, the *Education (General Provisions) (Extension of Primary Schools in Remote Areas) Amendment Bill 2023* is compatible with human rights under the *Human Rights Act 2019* because it does not limit a human right.

Robbie Katter
Member for Traeger