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To Whom it May Concern,

Re: IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE CHILD.

I note that this has failed to include deliberate parental denial, and government sanctioning, of available education to children in closed communities such as fundamental Christian, Islamic and Jewish sects.

Many of these children are forced into poverty as adults, due to denial of an education that would enable them to otherwise function in the society they were born to. A particular focus on homeschooling should be applied.

Furthermore, allowing, and therefore sanctioning, voluntary segregation, contributes nothing to a multicultural culture that we are trying to foster in this country.

Our constitution allows for equal and secular education. We should not permit parents to "opt out" and deny children their basic civil rights as Australian citizens.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Sent from my iPhone