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Submitted to School Uniforms (Trousers) Bill
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Introduction

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3 What is your name?

Name:

[REDACTED]

4 What is your email address?

Email:

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5 Are you responding as:

A school

Please provide further details here, if relevant.:

6 What is your gender?

Female

Purpose of the Bill

7 Do you agree with the purpose of the Bill?

No

Do you have any further comments?:

I school should be able to decide which parts of a uniform are to be worn for a boy or girl.

8 Do you foresee any unintended consequences of the Bill?

Yes

If you have answered 'yes', please provide details:

If this Bill is passed then it will lead the way for boys to wear skirts.

Clauses of the Bill

Clause 1

9 Do you think Clause 1 will have the effects that are anticipated?

I believe Clause 1 won't have the anticipated effects.

If you have answered that Clause 1 will only have some of the anticipated effects, or won't have the anticipated effects, please provide details.:

If skirts were of a reasonable length there would be less likelihood of unbecoming. If phones were prohibited in schools they would also put an end to that happening.

As a female, I managed all my school life in a skirt - and since with no adverse effects. God made man and woman, clearly different from each other and we should honour that. Therefore some schools for religious reasons will oppose this Bill as it is contrary to their beliefs. Are you going to force this on them?

Clause 2

10 It is appropriate for the DE to also publish its guidelines on school uniforms.

Disagree

Do you have any further comments? :

Clause 3

11 Do you have any comments on this Clause?

Yes

If you have answered 'yes', please provide details.:

This Bill should not be passed

Financial effects of the Bill

12 The financial effects of the Bill will be minimal. (See Paragraphs 19 and 20 of the Explanatory and Financial Memorandum.)

Disagree

Do you have any further comments? :

More choice will bring about more financial outlay as trousers will be used in winter and skirts in summer.

Additional Comments and Observations

13 Additional comments and observations

Comment Box :

It should be up to each school to decide what should be worn regarding uniform. Uniforms should not be of certain brands and therefore expensive but the school should have some say as to what their pupils wear.