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To whom it concerns,

The proposed law being labelled as “anti discrimination” is misleading. There is no evidence of any discrimination currently happening at religious institutions. The real effect of the law would be to prevent people from having the choice and freedom to be part of a religious institution that authentically reflects their values. There are plenty of non-religious institutions available as options to students. What this law does is remove people’s option to attend a religious institution, which plenty of parents and students currently prefer. It is an assault on freedom of religion. We can’t have a Christian school without Christian teachers.

I attended a religious institution throughout my schooling and this strongly enriched my experience by allowing me to have friends, mentors and a support system that reflects the values of my family.”