

Dear Review Panel,

Please accept this as my submission to the Teacher Registration Review.

I am currently employed as a sometimes casual teacher here in my district of Coffs Harbour and currently work at [REDACTED] High, [REDACTED] High and [REDACTED] High Schools.

Under the new registration regime here in NSW, my 38 years and five months of service in various capacities as Class Room Teacher, Education Consultant and Head Teacher have me being recognised as a "Proficient Teacher" by NESA. It's almost an insult to one's entire teaching career but I won't get too distracted.

My submission is this.

If the various States and Territories have their own Registration of Teacher Process and that these processes meet a Nationally Agreed Standard as I'm led to believe that they do, then it should also be possible that my Registration Qualifications in NSW under the NESA regime be recognised in all States and Territories and further more that I be allowed to teach on a Casual Basis in my instance, in those States and Territories.

At the moment I am required to be registered in each state or Territory in order to teach. Of course I pay my Registration Fee to each state. (One could be cynical here)

If I was a carpenter, a builder, a plumber, a butcher or a nurse I can work anywhere in Australia as these qualifications are universally recognised. As a teacher my qualifications are limited to the state I live in. I find this absurd.

So in summary, I appeal to you to use some logic in the process and allow a trained professional and registered teacher to be recognised across all educational jurisdictions and allow us to work anywhere across Australia.

Thanks for your consideration of this submission.

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