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The facts here are simple. In 1993, talking about the lottery for education that just passed in a referendum six months earlier, her local paper wrote --and this is word for word-- "she did not vote for the lottery." It says so in black and white. Talking about the same lottery, Cathy Cox stood in front of a room of people in a county that cast nearly 70% of its votes against the lottery just six months earlier and said "we are outnumbered." She didn't say "you are outnumbered." She said "we are outnumbered." Whatever Ms. Cox or her supporters say now in an attempt to rewrite history and even rewrite their own weekly newspaper stories, Ms. Cox did not go in front of those people and say anything **but** that she was against the lottery. In fact, there wasn't a single state representative or state senator in Ms Cox's immediate area that was for it, including Ms Cox. The education lottery was overwhelmingly defeated in her own district. If she would have said she was for it, she would have been defeated too. Why doesn't Ms. Cox just say today what she said then about the education lottery? "I have to represent the people of my district," she declared at the time. That was why she was against the education lottery: her district was against it. That was why she said she didn't vote for it. And that was why she said "we are outnumbered." She was against that lottery. I was for it. That is the truth. We stand one hundred percent behind that claim and our advertisements that make that claim.

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