

Jan AngelFACTS

Representative Jan Angel claims that she supports education, but her actions speak louder than her campaign rhetoric. Here are the facts about Angels' voting record against all-day kindergarten and \$160 Million to Education:

Q: Did Jan Angel really vote against providing additional funding for all-day kindergarten?

A: Yes. Rep. Angel voted against **HB 2791 in 2012: Funding all-day kindergarten** - a bill that would have repealed the out-of-state sales tax exemption to provide funding for all-day kindergarten. In 2006, the state adopted the goal of providing all-day kindergarten, but it wasn't until the Supreme Court's *McCleary v. State* decision that Washington became required to implement all-day kindergarten by 2017.
<http://apps.leg.wa.gov/billinfo/summary.aspx?bill=2791&year=2011>

Q: But Jan Angel calls that bill, "a tax increase."

A: No taxpayer in Washington State would be paying more money as a result of this bill, though our kids would have access to better and earlier education opportunities. Only shoppers from Oregon, Idaho, and Canada benefit from this tax loophole, while our "paramount duty" to provide a quality education falls flat.

Q: Did Jan Angel vote against giving an additional \$160 million to our schools?

A: Yes. A bipartisan group of legislators worked together to close a loophole in our estate tax law—which eventually passed as part of our budget—to provide an additional \$160 million to schools. The tax loophole would have given money back to the heirs of multi-millionaires. Voters approved the tax on millionaires, but a 2012 Supreme Court decision opened up the loophole.
<http://apps.leg.wa.gov/billinfo/summary.aspx?bill=2075>

As the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities says, "everybody dies, but only the richest .14 percent of estates pay any estate tax." We the 99.86% do not pay an estate tax, so it only impacts the mega-rich.

Q: Jan Angel calls this a "tax increase" too.

A: This simply isn't accurate nor does it make sense. The Supreme Court ruling opened up a new loophole that would have resulted in a huge tax cut for millionaires. The estate tax fix passed by the legislature simply maintained the existing voter-approved law.

Again, voters approved the tax on millionaires, but the loophole was recently opened.