

Stefanik: The left is 'spun up' at her impeachment hearing performance

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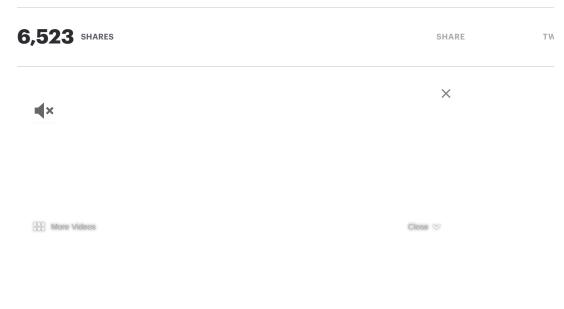
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In an interview with radio talk show host John Catsimatidis, Rep. Elise Stefanik (R-N.Y.) said that Democrats are "spun up" after her performance during the public impeachment hearings.

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"I was focused on the facts and the substance in my questions of witnesses as part of these impeachment hearings," the House Intelligence Committee member told Catsimatidis.

"But obviously the left and Hollywood liberals got spun up," she added. "They have been pouring millions to support my far-left opponent all because I spoke on behalf of my constituents and I asked very strong questions."

Stefanik, 35, was referring to Tedra Cobb, who is challenging Stefanik for New York's 21st District seat. Last weekend, Cobb's campaign reported that it received more than \$1 million in donations after the first set of impeachment hearings.

During former U.S. Ambassador to Ukraine Marie Yovanovitch's hearing, House Intelligence Committee ranking member Devin Nunes (R-Calif.) tried to turn the microphone over to Stefanik rather than GOP counsel. The move wasn't in accordance with the House impeachment proceedings' hearing rules, so House Intelligence Committee Chairman Adam Schiff (D-Calif.) gaveled her down.

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The incident caused Stefanik to be <u>lauded by fellow Republicans</u> but lambasted by Democrats.

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"Adam Schiff made up these partisan rules that don't allow members to yield their time to other members," Stefanik continued in the interview.

"This is unprecedented. It doesn't happen in any other committee. It doesn't even happen in the Intelligence Committee under normal rules."

Stefanik also criticized the left for continuing to "pursue impeachment regardless of the facts."

"This week there was not a single witness that had direct evidence of a quid pro quo or any impeachable crime," she asserted.

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