

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I was thinking it was another bill. But...

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Oooo...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: No, I'm not going to ask you any more questions.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: (Laugh.)

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But I want to talk about it just for a moment or two, if I may. Well, let me ask Senator Wehrbein this question, Senator Wehrbein, I had read in an article up here about 12 temporary employee positions being cut out by the Department of Health. Were you aware of those? I know in the total picture that may be a relatively small number.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes, I don't know when that was. I don't know what reference you're talking about, that's entirely possible that they let 12 temporaries go, I don't...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: They said they're going to as a part of their streamlining function that they...

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Okay, that...that would be understandable.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Would they still...if they haven't been let go yet, would they be included in this bill, or is there no way to know exactly what...

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes, they could be if they have not been let go yet, yes, they could be included in this particular deficit request, yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Wehrbein, I made a comment that I might...I might have been mistaken on. I read it in an article in the World-Herald, so I better double-check. It said that the Appropriations Committee is including \$50 million of Maximus money in the appropriations bill. Is that correct?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Well, yes, it is. There's a little definition of that which will come next week when you get the bill. It's a little misleading, it was an attempt to be correct. We, after much discussion, included 50 million in the