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since then. But the committee is very concerned and will be watching it and so this is something that we do need to do so that we can meet our obligations. Thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Raikes.

SENATOR RAIKES: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature. Senator Wehrbein, if I could continue just a little bit.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes.

SENATOR RAIKES: I, as a private employer, pay workmen's compensation, but that's a totally different deal. It has nothing to do with it. This is a self-insured agency within the state government, correct? So I...I want to ask you now, in terms of the eventual General Fund impact here, probably what we're talking about is that, for example, Health and Human Services will need to pay more money into the workmen...or for their workmen's compensation coverage and, as a result will either have to cut their budget some place else or request more General Fund monies. Am I right there?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: That is true, and I could give you agency-specific numbers that we have had in the requests for next year's budget right now. Those...those are, in many cases, not all, requests, specific line requests by agencies. Some agencies have been able to absorb it. Others have had to make significant requests...

SENATOR RAIKES: Okay, well, I...

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: ...for next year.

SENATOR RAIKES: Yeah, I...I don't...you know, I appreciate the offer with that additional information, but I was more interested in just the mechanism by which this might eventually find its way into General Fund budget requests and, if I understand now, that's the way it would happen.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: That's right.