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about the impact on the industry, certainly. I mean I would be interested if that were possible.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay. What about a system that essentially parroted the assessment process that Senator Connealy described on his amendment; that is, that would assess workers' comp benefits at a particular percentage in order to put money into a fund to cover these workers? Would that be...assuming the mechanics of it were in order, would you, as a matter of philosophy, be inclined to support that?

SPEAKER BROMM: And this might surprise you, but I'd probably be less inclined to support that than I would the General Funds, because I'm trying to make the...and maybe I could be convinced, but I'm trying to put myself in the place of those other employers and I think I'd be asking myself...there may be a great purpose out there of trying to help our ag industry so that we continue to have cheap food and we continue to have a viable livestock industry and a crop industry in the state, but as...if I'm an employer of welders or truckers, why should I bear more of a burden for that noble purpose than the rest of the citizens of the state of Nebraska when I have my own business challenges to try to accommodate? So I'd maybe be less inclined on that than I would on the General Fund suggestion.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Um-hum. Do you think the business people who would say that to you, would say that to you because they would think agriculture should bear their own burden, or because they think that General Fund...they would think General Funds should be used too?

SPEAKER BROMM: I think, trying to put myself in their shoes, I would think that they would say maybe agriculture deserves some help here, but why should the brunt of that come on me? Why shouldn't it be borne by the general populace, who benefit from agriculture in general, rather than...

SENATOR SCHIMEK: One minute.

SPEAKER BROMM: ...myself as a particular employer?