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SENATOR ERDMAN: Senator Wehrbein, the committee amendment, AM3033, strikes the original provisions of LB 1089, and if I follow along in the blue packet that you distributed to the body, the reductions in spending or General Fund appropriations generally totals around \$53 million in the committee amendment. Is that correct?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes.

SENATOR ERDMAN: And as I follow along, and then on page 17, and I go down the list of reductions where we're using the money from the federal government from the Medicaid provision, which is about \$43 million, as I follow down there, what percent or how much of the cuts or General Fund appropriation reductions that are in the committee amendment are actual cuts to an agency or an entity, versus federal dollars? Do you know that off the top of your head?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Not off the top. I think it's under \$10 million.

SENATOR ERDMAN: Okay. So a majority of what we're doing or what the committee is asking the Legislature to do is, under the committee amendment, we are to utilize as much of the federal dollars that are out there in order to offset some of the previous obligations that we had under the General Fund, and then where we couldn't use those available federal dollars, then we're looking to make some cuts in different agencies or in different areas of government. Is that accurate?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes. And, by the way, their intent was for us to use that to help our budget.

SENATOR ERDMAN: Correct, and I concur. Thank you, Senator Wehrbein. Members of the Legislature, I don't want to be the one to stand up and say that we haven't cut our agencies or anything enough, but I'm wondering out loud and I hope the members of the committee can kind of direct me as far as their thought. It appears that of the majority of what's in the committee amendment to LB 1089, a vast majority of it would be considered federal funds. So, in other words, we're not