

and in fact is paid to Cash Fund authorizations as there are for General Fund because it is all funds collected under law, and whether it goes to the General Fund or a Cash Fund, or it's a license or a fee, it is in fact a form of taxation, so there is that review. The anticipated amount of funds that would probably come through to the agency from both the private organizations and to the extent the child support fee can be charged, and that is only in the case where it is possible to pay, where it is financially possible for individuals to pay, it is not expected to exceed \$35,000. Without the creation of the cash fund, they can go ahead and may be able to collect it but there is no fund from which to appropriate it then in order that it can be spent or used to offset General Fund cost.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Thank you, Senator Warner. I am glad to have the explanation. I know that the Appropriations Committee does, of course, review these Cash Funds but I am a little bit, I guess, naive about the fact that these funds seemingly come into the agency, they are reappropriated and spent, and certainly many members of this body have very little knowledge of how they are handled. And I am continually reminded of the flexibility that does exist within agencies for the utilization of funds, whether it be cash, or whether it be appropriated from the General Fund, and that those funds many times are shifted and utilized without authorization, direct authorization, from an agency. I just want to call attention to a fact here and I think it is a good time to bring it up. I have been reminded because of a recent announcement by the Department of Roads, and I hope that you will listen to this, all of you. They are going to close a little carpenter shop in David City and move it to Lincoln, and they are going to expend some money to build a new building here in Lincoln, and they have the total authorization, they have the authority I understand to expend up to \$100,000 without direct approval of this body. If I am mistaken in that capacity, I would like to be better informed. The facts are that we find that this agency upon their own volition shortly after Mr. Lamberty left the position as Highway Engineer, and without any direct knowledge of the new engineer, decided to implement an idea to make a change which, of course, has very little impact upon the Lincoln operation, but which does have a dramatic impact upon the operation in David City and upon those two or three employees of that area, and there is no way that, apparently, this Legislature can do anything to negate that decision, notwithstanding the fact that there are those individuals who think that it ought to be done.