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I have read with much concern the special assessment that is proposed to beef up the FDIC fund. While I agree there needs to be some sort of back up for our depositors, what is a small Midwest bank to do to cover what looks like a triple amount for our portion of the "bail out"? We already run on a budget, try hard to make sound decisions and then we have to not only protect our customers, but now the "Wall Street" blunders? Some how you have got to put a lid on this. Ask the government for the extra needed. They seem to have money to fund everything else.

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