Title: Where does the money come from when stock prices shoot up?

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Lets say the float of around 65 million gets locked, they we go all the way to 69 million/share and everyone decides to sell at the peak at once, who will be forced to pay up (Citadel & Co?) and how?

I'm trying to understand what wouldn't make the government do some shady shit and say "the max amount you can get for a GME share is 10k" or just restrict selling altogether to prevent the payout from occuring altogether..

Thanks for the explanations!!