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SENATOR VRTISKA: ...they're providing somewhat similar services for the poor and those who are needy.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Vrtiska, you look at what the purpose of the organization is. The purpose of these community action groups and some of these other not-for-profit operations, the purpose is to provide a service. It is not to hawk religion or proselytize. My amendment deals with those operations that are exclusively religious, and providing food is not a religious activity.

SENATOR VRTISKA: Well, I understand what you're...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Providing shelter is not.

SENATOR VRTISKA: I understand what you're saying, but you have to acknowledge that some of the church organizations provide a lot of assistance for some of the needy in this state of ours, and I think that, in that regard, they're providing the same kind of services to people who need those kind of services. So to say that they don't...that they're just squelching off of the public is not entirely correct,...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But a lot of churches...

SENATOR VRTISKA: ...in my opinion.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...a lot of churches don't, so what we would do is say those that can document the amount of charity work they do, that can be deducted just as if I make a charitable contribution.

SENATOR VRTISKA: Well, you know, and what you're saying, I don't...I'm not going to spend a lot of dialogue arguing this thing because I happen to agree that, what Senator Bourne said earlier, this is of the magnitude that needs to be held in a committee sense where a long, elongated debate can decide whether this is the kind of thing, and a change that we're making is pretty radical and...