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### General Comment

The proposed religious exemption amendment is too narrow. Few religious charitable organizations serve only people who hold to the tenets of the serving religious organization. For example, a soup kitchen in my community run by the Roman Catholic Church serves homeless people who need a free meal regardless of their religious beliefs or church affiliation or lack of belief and church affiliation. The proposed rule would fail to include this religious organization in the exemption because it serves people who do not hold to the tenets of the Roman Catholic Church.