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Dear Christie Preston,

Concerning the collection of financial data from non-profit entities, I believe all non-profit organizations should be treated equally, regardless! Currently the IRS singles out churches for privileged treatment by exempting them from the disclosure requirements all other 501(c)(3) organizations must comply with, or lose their exemption. As a taxpayer, who is subsidizing tax-exempt groups, I have a right to know what entities are exempt from taxation and to review general financial disclosures of all organizations that are afforded this status. The privilege of not being taxed must come with some measures of accountability. Lack of accountability can lead to lack of respect for the authority and also to the taking for granted of this privilege. Both of which can be seen by many religious tax-exempt organizations (churches) campaigning from the pulpit. This abuse must be stopped and offending tax-exempt organization should be held accountable by losing their exemptions if they insist on not playing by the rules.

Regards,

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