

MRS. HOFFMAN: I think, as a matter of constitutional provision, I would mandate church properties used for church purposes, as opposed to being held for income.

MR. BOND: Let's assume on the property -- and then I'll be quiet -- let's assume you exempt church property and make everybody come in for credit or abatement. Then you get back to the housing for the elderly and old folks' homes. I don't know where you draw the line. If you go on the abatement or the credit procedure, you can do it.

MRS. HOFFMAN: When the people of Baltimore City think that they are giving tax exemption to people of an average income, elderly people of an average income of \$3,000 per person and, in fact, the average income of other elderly persons in Baltimore is \$1800, I think then the people of Baltimore City should be able to notice and to decide whether or not they are going to shift the burden from the 3000 to the \$1800 people and this is the kind of judgment that they would be able to make.

MR. BROOKS: A good hard problem is a retirement