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So-called "Blaine Amendments" in state constitutions are under attack because they may restrict the flow of tax dollars into religious institutions. The prevailing argument against the state Blaine Amendments is that they are unconstitutional expressions of Nineteenth Century anti-Catholic sentiment. Through an examination of Nineteenth Century historical trends and the text of state constitutions, Johnson challenges that argument. While he does not dispute the anti-Catholic currents of the Nineteenth Century, his work demonstrates that Blaine amendment supporters had many different motives of

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