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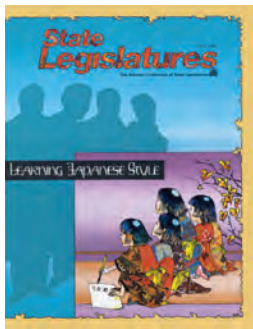
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Articles from the April 1987 issue of *State Legislatures*:

LEARNING JAPANESE STYLE

"Japan's students score higher on tests, but American students get a better college education. Officials are studying each other's systems to find out why."

NEW FEDERAL LAW EXPANDS MEDICAID COVERAGE

"The new law will allow states to extend Medicaid coverage to some of the currently ineligible poor."

TAXING THE POOR

"One of the aims of federal tax reform was to lower taxes on the poor. Should states pursue the same goal?"

DID YOU KNOW ...

The walls of the main vestibule of the Mississippi Capitol are covered with marble—Black Belgian and blue



Vermont. The rotunda contains Italian white marble and jet black marble from New York. There are 11 kinds of marble in Mississippi's Capitol, dubbed the "million dollar Capitol." Taxpayers didn't even have to pay for its construction—the Illinois Central Railroad did. It owed Mississippi back taxes that, along with the legal settlement, came to more than a million dollars.

—From "A Celebration of State Capitols," by Richard R. Gibson

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