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Acquisitions – MAY 2012

AGRICULTURE

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CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES

3. Kennedy, Kristy. "Same-sex marriage." Illinois Issues. May 2012. P. 24-27. (The issue nationwide is at a tipping point.)
4. Griffin, Ashley. "Impoverished students." Illinois Issues. May 2012. P. 28-30. (As more students fall into poverty, a question emerges: what can schools and the state do to help them?)

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14. Scott, Dylan. "Power Lines." Governing. May 2012. Vol. 25. No. 5. P. 49-51. (In the quest for energy efficiency, some cities and counties are breaking ties with power companies.)

15. Dunn, Jamey. "The big frack." Illinois Issues. May 2012. P. 20-23. (While hydraulic fracturing is hardly new, it's growing and so is the controversy surrounding the practice.)

16. Ross, Brydon. "Expect the unexpected in the future of energy." Capitol Ideas. May/June 2012. P. 14-16. (The future of energy consumption, markets and future trends.)

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19. Andersen, Glen. "Gas gusher." NCSL Legislatures. Vol. 38. No. 5. May 2012. P. 12-13. (The nation is awash in natural gas, driving down prices and giving the economy a boost.)

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