

## Missouri Legislative Library

### Acquisitions – June 2013

#### AGRICULTURE

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#### COMMUNICATIONS & MEDIA

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#### CRIME & CRIMINAL JUSTICE

3. Newcombe, Tod. "Intelligence break." *Governing*. Vol. 26. No. 9. June 2013. Pg. 66-69. (Fusion centers are struggling to find their footing in the post-9/11 world that created them.)

#### DRUGS & DRUG TESTING

4. Hinkley, Kara Nett. "Compounding interest." *State Legislatures*. June 2013. Vol. 39. No. 6. Pg. 22-23. (A tragedy caused by contaminated steroids turned the spotlight on compounding pharmacies.)

#### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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6. Maciag, Mike. "The \$1.95 billion question." *Governing*. Vol. 26. No. 9. June 2013. Pg. 60-64. (New Jersey has positioned itself as a leading state for tax incentives. Will it pay off?)

#### EDUCATION

7. West, Cassandra. "Middle-skills training." *Illinois Issues*. Vol. XXXIX. No. 6. June 2013. Pg. 26-29. (Community colleges try to answer the needs of students and needy employers in high-demand fields.)

8. Kennedy, Kristy. "Ready or not." *Illinois Issues*. Vol. XXXIX. No. 6. June 2013. Pg. 30-33. (Studies show that many high school students in Illinois are not adequately prepared for college.)

9. Gewertz, Catherine. "District bets big on standards." *Education Week*. Vol. 32. No. 32. May 22, 2013. Pg. 1+. (Implementing the Common Core State Standards in areas that lack the literacy skills to master the complex text.)

10. Ladner, Matthew, PhD. & Dave Myslinski. Report card on American education. Ranking states K-12 performance, progress, and reform. American Legislative Exchange Council. 2013. 122 pg. Ref. LB 2822.75.F45. 2013. (The Report Card offers an assessment of American education and a blueprint for how to make changes.)

11. "A stronger nation through higher education." Lumina Foundation. Indianapolis, IN. 2010. 110 pg. LC 148.2. 2010. (Visualizing data to help us achieve a big goal for college attainment.)

## **ENERGY**

12. Meyer, Josh & Brian Dabson. "Missouri's energy outlook." Institute of Public Policy. Harry S Truman School of Public Affairs. Report no. 08-2013. May 2013. 17 pgs. (This policy brief attempts to provide a synopsis of the current state of electricity generation in the state of Missouri along with current policy considerations and possible future directions as the state attempts to meet its future energy needs.) VF: Energy.

## **ENVIRONMENT**

13 Farquhar, Doug. "National prevention strategy to promote environmental health." Legisbrief. Vol. 21. No. 22. June 2013. Pg. 1-2. (The federal Affordable Care Act not only reforms the nation's health insurance infrastructure and expands coverage, but also contains recommendations to address environmental factors affecting health.) VF: Environment.

14. Reed, James B. "State land use policies and military facilities." Legisbrief. Vol. 21. No. 23. June 2013. Pg. 1-2. (To help preserve the viability of military missions within their jurisdictions, states have passed legislation to help guide compatible land development that sustains vital military training and promotes community growth and economic prosperity.) VF: Land use.

## **FINANCE & REVENUE**

15. "Gee whiz. Median versus per capita income." State Policy Reports. Vol. 31. No. 9. May 2013. Pg. 2. (States are typically ranked by their per capita personal income. An alternative measure is median household income, which focuses on the household that occupies the income level at which half the state's households are higher and half are lower.)

16. "An April surprise?" State Policy Reports. Vol. 31. No. 9. May 2013. Pg. 3. (April tax returns brought unanticipated revenues to many states' coffers. The federal results were stellar, and many income tax-levying states link to the federal tax code.)

## **HEALTH, WELFARE & SOCIAL SERVICES**

17. Karaim, Reid. "Assisted suicide." CQ Researcher. Vol. 23. No. 19. May 17, 2013. Pg. 449-471. (Should doctors be allowed to help terminally ill patients die?)

18. Tobler, Laura. "Bridging the health divide." State Legislatures. June 2013. Vol. 39. No. 6. Pg. 24-25. (Community health workers are helping eliminate costly health inequalities.)

19. Bayless, Robert L. "Energy drinks' cause health concerns." First Reading. Illinois General Assembly Legislative Research Unit. Vol. 26. No. 4. May 2013. Pg. 1-7. (The rapidly growing popularity of energy drinks, particularly among the young, has become a cause of concern to some parents and health experts, mostly due to the caffeine content of these drinks.)

20. Zallman, Leah, et al. "Immigrants contributed an estimated \$115.2 billion more to the Medicare Trust Fund than they took out in 2002-09. Health Affairs. Vol. 32. No. 6. June 2013. Pg. 1153-1160. (Many immigrants in the United States are working-age taxpayers; few are elderly beneficiaries of Medicare. This article discusses how immigrants may be disproportionately subsidizing the Medicare Trust Fund.)

21. Winterfield, Amy. "A cornucopia of food choice incentives." Legisbrief. Vol. 21. No. 21. June 2013. Pg. 1-2. (Recent research indicates that incentives to eat well, along with making the healthy choice and easy choice, can encourage a better diet.) VF: Healthy lifestyle.

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## **IMMIGRATION**

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## **INSURANCE**

25. Clark, Corey. "Budget & Taxes." *Capitol Journal*. Vol. XXI. No. 16. June 3, 2013. Pg. 5-7. (California released details about the insurers that will offer plans through the state's newly created health exchange.)

26. Meyer, Harris. "With just months to go, New York state's health benefit exchange gears up for open enrollment." *Health Affairs*. Vol. 32. No. 6. June 2013. Pg. 1023-1029. (This article discusses New York's readiness for starting enrollment Oct. 1, 2013, and coverage to begin on Jan. 1, 2014.)

27. Price, Carter C. & Christina Eibner. "For states that opt out of Medicaid expansion: 3.6 million fewer insured and \$8.4 billion less in federal payments." *Health Affairs*. Vol. 32. No. 6. June 2013. Pg. 1030-1035. (This article used the RAND COMPARE microsimulation to analyze how opting out of Medicaid expansion would affect coverage and spending, and whether alternative policy options, such as partial expansion of Medicaid, could cover as many people at lower costs to states.)

28. DeLeire, Thomas, et al. "Wisconsin experience indicates that expanding public insurance to low-income childless adults has health care impacts." *Health Affairs*. Vol. 32. No. 6. June 2013. Pg. 1037-1044. (As states consider expanding Medicaid to low-income childless adults under the Affordable Care Act, their decisions will depend, in part, on how such coverage may affect the use of medical care.)

29. Melnick, Glenn & Katya Fonkyeh. "Fair pricing law prompts most California hospitals to adopt policies to protect uninsured patients from high charges." *Health Affairs*. Vol. 32. No. 6. June 2013. Pg. 1101-1108. (California's approach offers a promising policy option to other states seeking to protect the uninsured from receiving bills based on full billed charges.)

## **PENSIONS**

30. "Public sector pension reform: addressing pressing fiscal realities from a long-term perspective." The Nelson A. Rockefeller Institute of Government. 22 pg. (Budgetary pressures, evolving workforce demographics, and longer-term pension plan finance and benefit trends have led almost all states and many local governments to consider and implement various reforms of the plans they sponsor.) VF: Pensions.

## **PRIVACY**

31. Newcombe, Tod. "Intelligence break." *Governing*. Vol. 26. No. 9. June 2013. Pg. 66-69. (Fusion centers are struggling to find their footing in the post-9/11 world that created them.)

## **STATE & FEDERAL RELATIONS**

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## **STATE FINANCE & REVENUE**

33. Dadayan, Lucy & Donald J. Boyd. "Strong growth in personal income tax collections in first quarter of 2013 but cloudy fiscal outlook." The Nelson A. Rockefeller Institute of Government. University at Albany. State University of New York. Data alert. June 5, 2013. 4 pg. (Preliminary data for the Jan-March quarter of 2013 show continued growth in overall state tax collections, mostly driven by very strong growth in personal tax collections.) VF: State finance & revenue.

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## **STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

35. Mooney, Christopher Z. "Measuring state house speakers' formal powers, 1981-2010." State Politics & Policy Quarterly. Vol. 13. No. 2. June 2013. Pg. 262-273. This cross-sectional variation among state legislative leaders' formal powers provides a unique opportunity to test a variety of hypotheses of the American legislative process that involves the causes and effects of these powers.)

36. Ermasova, Natalia. "Capital budgeting in the states after the Great Recession." State and Local Government Review. Vol. 45. No. 2. June 2013. Pg. 119-130. (This study expands knowledge of capital budgeting for practicing planners, developers, budget analytics, debt managers, and policy makers in the areas of regional collaborations, capital planning, and capital budgeting.)

37. Lyons, Jeffrey et al. "The roots of citizens' knowledge of state politics." State Politics & Policy Quarterly. Vol. 13. No. 2. June 2013. Pg. 183-202. (When state political environments provide more information and greater incentives to become informed, people are more knowledgeable about state matters.)

38. "The 2013 Camelot index." State Policy Reports. April 2013. Vol. 31. Issue 8. Pg. 1-17. (The Camelot index brings together measures of economic vitality, health, education, crime society and government. In the current index, many states rank consistently across measures, while others do quite well on some measures, but not others. Plains states do well, with four states (two different this year) still ranking among the top five.)

## **TAXATION**

39. "We didn't see THAT coming." State Policy Reports. Vol. 31. Issue 7. April 2013. Pg. 2-7. (Representatives of state and local governments were caught by surprise when the senate decided to take up legislation that would allow states to collect sales and use taxes on internet transactions.)

40. Rafool, Mandy. "Tax trends from the recession." State Legislatures. June 2013. Vol. 39. No. 6. Pg. 32-33. (The Great Recession and slow recovery have forced states to adjust their tax policies to survive the budget shortfalls.)

## **TRANSPORTATION**

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