

Missouri Legislative Library

Acquisitions – Sept. 2013

ALCOHOL

1. Morton, Heather. "Alcohol sales and distribution. 2013 state legislation." NCSL. Legisbrief. Vol. 21. No. 33. Sept. 2013. 2 pg. (This Legisbrief looks at the latest legislative trends in home manufacturing of alcoholic beverages, serving and selling hours, direct shipment of liquor, tastings and samplings, and underage drinking.) VF: Liquor industry.

CAMPAIGNS & ELECTIONS

2. Desta, Yoseph & Wendy Underhill. "Preregistering youth voters." NCSL. Legisbrief. Vol. 21. No. 35. Sept. 2013. 2 pg. (Given that registration deadlines in some states stretch to 30 days prior to an election, some states have implemented "preregistration" electoral laws, explicitly allowing people younger than 18 to register to vote.) VF: Elections.

3. O'Donnell-Wood, Natalie. "Electronic access and financial disclosure." NCSL. Legisbrief. Vol. 21. No. 36. Sept. 2013. 2 pg. (In all but three states, legislators, other public officials and, sometimes, public employees, must disclose some information about their personal finances.) VF: Ethics, Code of.

CRIME & CRIMINAL JUSTICE

4. Dunn, Jamey. "Policy change could bring needed reform to corrections." Illinois Issues. Vol. XXXIX. No. 9. Sept. 2013. Pg. 6-7. (The Illinois Dept. Of Corrections is in the early stages of rolling out a new systemwide policy that advocates say could be one of the biggest reforms in recent history.)

5. Lawrence, Allison. "Justice reinvestment." NCSL. Legisbrief. Vol. 21. No. 34. Sept. 2013. 2 pg. (Declines reported in state prison populations for the third consecutive year, at the same time, property and violent crime rates are also in a downward trend.) VF: Criminal Justice Planning.

EDUCATION

6. Maxwell, Lesli A. "Common core: a puzzle to the public." Education Week. Vol. 33. No.2 Aug. 28, 2013. Pg. 1+. (Polls reveal most of the American public remain unknowledgeable about Common Core State Standards.)

7. Scott, Dylan. "Can we fix cheating?" Governing. Sept. 2013. Pg. 36-41. (Teacher evaluation systems always seem to lead to dishonest behavior. States hope Common Core will be different.)

8. Thomas, Sue. A second home. Missouri's early schools. University of Missouri Press. Columbia & London. 2006. 142 pg. LA 314.T46 2006. (Sue Thomas traces the progress of early education in Missouri, demonstrating how important early schools were in taming the frontier.)

ENERGY

9. Daigneau, Elizabeth. "Dammed up." Governing. Sept. 2013. Pg. 51-53. (Even as states set ambitious renewable energy goals, the investment in hydro-power has been reduced to a trickle.)

FINANCE & REVENUE

10. Clark, Korey. "Budget & Taxes." Capitol Journal. Vol. XXI. No. 26. Sept. 2, 2013. Pg. 5-6. (North Dakota's energy trust fund has grown much more than predicted.)

HEALTH, WELFARE & SOCIAL SERVICES

11. Medicaid. Health care safety-net toolkit for legislators. NCSL. (This toolkit provides information for policymakers in the areas of payment reform, primary care, Medicaid and the safety net, chronic disease prevention and management, oral health, and community health centers.) NCSL: Health & Welfare.
12. Wogan, J.P. "Sharing the load." *Governing*. Sept. 2013. Pg. 42-48. (Connecticut is breaking up the traditional caseworker model-and getting help to people faster.)
13. Caughi, Richard & Holly Valverde. "Uncovering hospital charges." *State Legislatures*. Vol. 39. No. 8. Sept. 2013. Pg. 28-29. (Hospitals are reporting their rates for various procedures in an effort to satisfy those who want more transparency in the health care costs.)
14. Scott, Dylan. "Could Arkansas crack the cost-containment code?" *Governing*. Vol. 26. No. 11. Aug. 2013. Pg. 11. (The state is implementing a performance pay model for health care.)
15. Branham, Mary. "Who's poor? states looking for more accurate ways to measure poverty." *Capitol Ideas*. Vol. 56. No. 5. Sept./Oct. 2013. Pg. 14-17. (The measurements of federal poverty thresholds.)
16. "Poverty 101." *Capitol Ideas*. Vol. 56. No. 5. Sept./Oct. 2013. Pg. 20-25. (This article discusses in brief some of the big issues facing those who live in poverty and some innovative ideas states are using to address those issues.)
17. Weldon, Tim. "Oasis in a food desert. making fresh food available to urban poor." *Capitol Ideas*. Vol. 56. No. 5. Sept./Oct. 2013. Pg. 28-29. (Food deserts are areas with few or no grocery stores providing access to healthful food choices, and how some states are creating incentives to develop more supermarkets in these areas.)
18. Ginn, Jennifer. "States are the new front in the war on poverty." *Capitol Ideas*. Vol. 56. No. 5. Sept./Oct. 2013. Pg. 30-32. (Changes in the former Aid to Families with Dependent Children program, now known as Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) sent significantly less money to states to help poor families, and how states are trying to work with the problem of poverty.)

IMMIGRATION

19. Vock, Daniel G. "Deportation dilemma." *Illinois Issues*. Vol. XXXIX. No. 9. Sept. 2013. Pg. 27-30. (As Illinois aims to ease the burdens on immigrants, the federal government continues its efforts to expel them.)

INSURANCE

20. Cannon, Lou. "Obamacare faces obstacles, opportunities in states" *Capitol Journal*. Vol. XXI. No. 29. Sept. 23, 2013. Pg. 1-5. (The Affordable Care Act is reaching a moment of truth, with several key deadlines fast approaching amid signs states will simply not be ready to go on time.)
21. Buchmueller, Thomas et al. "Will employers drop health insurance coverage because of the Affordable Care Act?" *Health Affairs*. Vol. 32. No. 9. Sept. 2013. Pg. 1522-1529. (This article offers insight on how employers' offerings of health insurance might change under health reform.)
22. Austin, Daniel R. et al. "Small increases to employer premiums could shift millions of people to the exchanges and add billions to federal outlays." *Health Affairs*. Vol. 32. No. 9. Sept. 2013. Pg. 1531-1537. (This article models the sensitivity of federal costs for the insurance exchange coverage provision of the Affordable Care Act using the nationally representative Medical Expenditure Panel Survey data set.)
23. Jacobs, Ken et al. "Large payments of premium subsidies may be owed to the IRS if family income changes are not properly reported." *Health Affairs*. Vol. 32. No. 9. Sept. 2013. Pg. 1538-1545. (Subsidies for health insurance premiums under the Affordable Care Act are refundable tax credits, that can be taken when taxes are filed or in advance, as reductions in monthly premiums that must be reconciled at tax filing.)

24. Tsai, Jack et al. "Medicaid expansion: chronically homeless adults will need targeted enrollment and access to a broad range of services." *Health Affairs*. Vol. 32. No. 9. Sept. 2013. Pg. 1552-1559. (There may be potential savings for states that expand Medicaid, as people transition from state to local assistance to more comprehensive services under Medicaid.)

25. Long, Sharon K. "Physicians may need more than higher reimbursements to expand Medicaid participation: findings from Washington state." *Health Affairs*. Vol. 32. No. 9. Sept. 2013. Pg. 1560-1567. (The expansion of insurance coverage under the Affordable Care Act is expected to put considerable pressure on the capacity of the primary care workforce to meet the needs of the Medicaid population beginning in 2014.)

26. Blewett, Lynn A. et al. "Survey of high-risk pool enrollees suggests that targeted transition education and outreach should begin soon." *Health Affairs*. Vol. 32. No. 9. Sept. 2013. Pg. 1568-1575. (Several provisions of the Affordable Care Act make state and federal high-risk pools unnecessary beginning in Jan. 2014; as a result, thousands of enrollees in these pools will be transferred to Medicaid and the new state and federal insurance exchanges.)

MISSOURI HISTORY

27. Rasmussen, Jamie Pamela. *The Missouri State Penitentiary: 170 years inside the walls*. Columbia, MO. University of Missouri Press. 2012. 121 pg. HV 8345.R37.2012. Missouri heritage readers series. (The author recounts the long and fascinating history of the Missouri State Penitentiary, focusing on the stories of inmates and the struggles by prison officials to provide opportunities for reform while keeping costs down.)

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PENSIONS & RETIREMENT

29. Thom, Michael. "All of the above: how fiscal, political, and workforce traits affect pension funding." *State and Local Government Review*. Vol. 45. No. 3. Sept. 2013. Pg. 163-171. (Utilizing data collected between 2000 and 2008, this article investigates the role of political, fiscal, and workforce characteristics as determinants of long-term pension funding.)

30. "Moody's on Pensions." *State Policy Report*. Vol. 31. No. 14. July 2013. Pg. 5-8. (Moody's Investors Service recently changed the way it evaluates state pension liabilities, making adjustments to the liabilities themselves and comparing them to a state's ability to meet the obligations, rather than comparing them to assets.)

PRIVACY

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PRIVATIZATION

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34. Keeler, Rebecca L. "Managing outsourced administrative discretion." *State and Local Government Review*. Vol. 45. No. 3. Sept. 2013. Pg. 183-188. (This article reports on a study of selected Florida local governments' for residential trash collection services.)

35. Payton, Seth B & Sheila Sues Kennedy. "Fiscal magic: outsourcing and the taxing power." *State and Local Government Review*. Vol. 45. No. 3. Sept. 2013. Pg. 189-195. (The authors call for additional research to examine the shifting cost burden associated outsourcing deals and the increased challenge of maintaining public fiscal accountability.)

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STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT

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