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Acquisitions –February 2014

CAMPAIGNS & ELECTIONS

1. Hernandez, Michael D. "Will schools continue to serve voters?" NCSL. The Canvass. Issue 45. Jan. 2014. pg. 1-2. (School administrators, in the wake of Sandy Hook Elementary massacre and more recent school shootings, are grappling with how best to keep students safe, especially on Election Day. Some districts are asking to no longer serve as voting locations.)

2. Altman, Alex & Zeke Miller. "Party down" Time. Vol. 18. No. 8. March 3, 2014. pg. 32-35. (This article discusses a new era for campaigns-with changes in campaign finance laws, and how it has sapped the power of political parties.)

CRIME & CRIMINAL JUSTICE

3. Lyons, Donna. "Predicting pretrial success." State Legislatures. Vol. 40. No. 2. Feb. 2014. pg. 18-19. (Criminal justice policy is using science to predict risk, helping courts make decisions about the conditions of pretrial release.)

4. Holeywell, Ryan. "Crowded out." Governing. Vol. 27. No. 5. Feb. 2014. pg. 31-35. (Under a court order to reduce overcrowding, California's prisons are undergoing major changes. Can San Francisco show the way?)

5. Birdsell, Bonnie. "Reevaluating gag orders and rape shield laws in the internet age: how can we better protect our victims?" Seton Hall Legislative Journal. Vol. 38. No. 1. 2013. pg. 71-97. (This note addresses the ineffectiveness of gag orders and current rape laws in an age when an individual's privacy can be decimated with the click of a button.)

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

6. Jacobson, Louis. "Where are the jobs?" State Legislatures. Vol. 40. No. 2. Feb. 2014. pg. 24-27. (Lawmakers have several ways to promote conditions for future job growth.)

7. Renault, Catherine S. & Kenneth E. Poole. "Prove it!" State Legislatures. Vol. 40. No. 2. Feb. 2014. pg. 28-30. (States offer incentives to promote economic development, yet seldom evaluate their effectiveness.)

EDUCATION

8. "K-12 digital learning in Missouri: creating virtual pathways to success." Missouri Chamber of Commerce and Industry Education Foundation. John Watson and Amy Murin, Evergreen Education Group. Jan. 2014. 22 pg. (This report discusses Missouri's "Top Ten by 20 Initiative," which aims to see Missouri schools rank in the top 10 states nationwide by 2020-and the challenges and options on achieving this goal.) VF: Education-technology.

9. State higher education finance. FY 2012. State Higher Education Executive Officers. Ref. LB 2342.S75. 2012. 81 pg. (Tenth annual study of state support for higher education.)

10. Weiss, Suzanne. "Higher ed-aches." State Legislatures. Vol. 40. No. 2. Feb. 2014. pg. 14-17. (States are searching for ways to control the ever-increasing costs of a college education.)

11. "Trends in college pricing 2013." Trends in Higher Education series. The College Board. 2013. 39 pg. (Trends in college pricing 2013 reports on the prices charged by colleges and universities in 2013-14, how prices have changed over time, and how they vary within and across types of institutions, states and regions.) VF: Education-Higher.

12. Anderson, Tim. "Demand for broadband." Stateline Midwest. Vol. 23. No. 1. Jan. 2014. pg. 1-7. (States eye new investments, programs and statutory changes that could improve connectivity in the Midwest.)

13. Gardner, Diana & John L. Rury. "Suburban opposition to district reorganization: the 1968 Spainhower Commission and metropolitan Kansas City and St. Louis." Urban Review. Vol. 46. July 17, 2013. pg. 125-145. (In this paper, the authors discuss a critical episode in the history of metropolitan educational development in these two cities, one that revealed somewhat different responses to school segregation and inequity.) VF: Schools-Missouri-District Organization

14. Foroohar, Rana. "The school that will get you the job." Time. Vol. 183. No. 7. Feb. 24, 2014. pg. 22-29. (This article spotlights a new kind of education at Sarah E. Goode STEM academy on the south side of Chicago, and explains why four years of high school isn't enough.)

EMPLOYERS & EMPLOYEES

15. Sengupta, Ishita; et al. Worker's compensation, benefits, coverage, and costs. National Academy of Social Insurance. Aug. 2013. Ref. HD 7103.65.U6.W56. 2011. (This report presents new data on workers' compensation programs for 2011 and updates estimates for 2007-2010 with newly available data.)

16. Mantel, Barbara. "Minimum wage." CQ Researcher. Vol. 24. No. 4. Jan. 24, 2014. pg. 73-87. (Would raising the rate be good for the economy?)

17. Mejeur, Jeanne. "State and federal minimum wages." Legisbrief. Vol. 22. No. 6. Feb. 2014. 2 pg. (This report presents data and figures on past and present minimum wage standards on the state and federal level.) VF: Minimum wage.

18. McCutcheon, Chuck. "Whistleblowers." CQ Researcher. Vol. 24. No. 5. Jan. 31, 2014. pg. 97-106. (Is support growing for employees who expose mistakes?)

19. Lario, Courtney. "What are you looking at?: why the private sector's use of social media need not be legislated." Seton Hall Legislative Journal. Vol. 38. No. 1. 2013. pg. 133-161. (This Note addresses the new legislative measures designed to protect employees' and applicants' online privacy, and highlights some of the concerns about the passage of these acts.)

ENERGY

20. Andersen, Glen. "The new energy revolution." State Legislatures. Vol. 40. No. 2. Feb. 2014. pg. 20-23. (Disruptive technologies-from micro-grids to solar panels and energy storage-are transforming the electric system.)

FINANCE & REVENUE

21. "State government general revenues in 2012." State Policy Reports. Vol. 32. Issue 3. Feb. 2014. 8 pg. (This issue of SPR focuses on the revenue side of the new data released from the U.S. Census Bureau survey of state government finances for FY2012.)

FIREARMS

22. Moran, Caroline L. "Under the gun: will states' one-gun-per-month laws pass constitutional muster after Heller and McDonald?" Seton Hall Legislative Journal. Vol. 38. No. 1. 2013. pg. 163-188.

HEALTH, WELFARE & SOCIAL SERVICES

23. "Cracking the code on health care costs." A report by the State Health Care Cost Containment Commission. The Miller Center, University of Virginia. Jan. 2014. 113 pg. (The State Health Care Cost Containment Commission was created to provide a practical alternative strategy that can provide higher-quality care and reduce the rate of cost increases, primarily by changing the health care delivery system.) VF: Medical care-cost.

24. "A call to arms." State Policy Reports. Vol. 32. Issue 2. Jan. 2014. pg. 1-7. (This issue of SPR discusses the January 2014 report from the State Health Care Cost Containment Commission, and problem of high health costs and low health care quality.)
25. Adler-Milstein, Julia, et al. "Telehealth among U.S. hospitals: several factors, including state reimbursement and licensure policies, influence adoption." Health Affairs. Vol. 33. No. 2. Feb. 2014. pg. 207-215. (Telehealth is widely believed to hold great potential to improve access to, and increase the value of, health care. Gaining a better understanding of why some hospitals adopt telehealth technologies while others do not is critically important.)
26. Hall, Joseph L. & Deven McGraw. "For telehealth to succeed, privacy and security risks must be identified and addressed." Health Affairs. Vol. 33. No. 2. Feb. 2014. pg. 216-221. (The success of telehealth could be undermined if serious privacy and security risks are not addressed.)
27. Lowery, Curtis L., et al. "Distributing medical expertise: the evolution and impact of telemedicine in Arkansas." Health Affairs. Vol. 33. No. 2. Feb. 2014. pg. 235-243. (This article describes the evolution, organization, and diverse activity of Arkansas's telemedicine system.)
28. Cummins, Steven, et al. "New neighborhood grocery store increased awareness of food access but did not alter dietary habits or obesity." Health Affairs. Vol. 33. No. 2. Feb. 2014. pg. 283-291. (In a pilot study that evaluated the impacts of opening a new supermarket in a Philadelphia community considered a "food desert"-part of the Pennsylvania Fresh Food Financing Initiative-the authors found that the intervention moderately improved residents perception of food accessibility, but did not lead to changes in reported fruit and vegetable intake or body mass index.)
29. Allen, Heidi, et al. "New Medicaid enrollees in Oregon report health care successes and challenges." Health Affairs. Vol. 33. No. 2. Feb. 2014. pg. 292-299. (This study examines health care interactions and the health perceptions of an Oregon cohort three years after they gained Medicaid coverage.)
30. Klardish, Chris. "Creating connections." Governing. Vol. 27. No. 5. Feb. 2014. pg. 48-51. (Local health officials are experimenting with ways to improve quality of care while cutting expenses.)
31. Hemp, Richard, et al. "Community-based Medicaid funding for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities." Legisbrief. Vol. 22. No. 7. Feb. 2014. 2 pg. (This report covers the history of Medicaid, along with state and federal data covering some services for people with intellectual and development disabilities.) VF: Medicaid.
32. Kelley, Bryan. "Improving access to Medicaid dental benefits." Legisbrief. Vol. 22. No. 8. Feb. 2014. 2 pg. (This report talks about the difficulties of obtaining dental services-for both the insured and the uninsured.) VF: Oral health.

INSURANCE

33. "Cracking the code on health care costs." A report by the State Health Care Cost Containment Commission. The Miller Center, University of Virginia. Jan. 2014. 113 pg. (The State Health Care Cost Containment Commission was created to provide a practical alternative strategy that can provide higher-quality care and reduce the rate of cost increases, primarily by changing the health care delivery system.) VF: Medical care-cost.

PENSIONS & RETIREMENT

34. Boyd, Donald J. & Peter J. Kliernan. "The Blinken Report. Strengthening the security of public sector defined benefit plans." The Nelson A. Rockefeller Institute of Government. The State University of New York. Jan. 2014. 45 pg. (The "Blinken Report" is the first in a series of annual analyses by the Rockefeller Institute of Government of key fiscal issues affecting state and local government. This report discusses the fiscal challenges of financing pensions for state and local public employees.) VF: Public Employee Retirement Systems.

PRIVACY

19. Lario, Courteney. "What are you looking at?: why the private sector's use of social media need not be legislated." *Seton Hall Legislative Journal*. Vol. 38. No. 1. 2013. pg. 133-161. (This Note addresses the new legislative measures designed to protect employees' and applicants' online privacy, and highlights some of the concerns about the passage of these acts.)

STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT

35. Squire, Peverill. *State legislatures today: politics under the domes*. Pearson Education, Inc. JK.2488.S695.2010. 271 pg. (A concise and provocative introduction to state legislative politics, this title is designed as a supplement for state and local courses and upper level courses on legislative politics.)

TECHNOLOGY ISSUES

36. Anderson, Tim. "Demand for broadband." *Stateline Midwest*. Vol. 23. No. 1. Jan. 2014. pg. 1-7. (States eye new investments, programs and statutory changes that could improve connectivity in the Midwest.)

TOBACCO

37. Ehsen, Rich. "Up in smoke." *Capitol Journal*. Vol. XXII. No. 3. Feb. 3, 2014. pg. 1-5. (The use of electronic cigarettes has exploded. But with safety questions still pending and federal oversight on hold, states are taking their own actions.)

TRANSPORTATION

38. Walters, Jonathan. "Rail revival." *Governing*. Vol. 27. No. 5. Feb. 2014. pg. 42-47. (States are reinvesting in once-abandoned freight lines.)

39. Tiegen, Anne. "Autonomous vehicles: on the road to new technologies." *Legisbrief*. Vol. 22. No. 5. Feb. 2014. 2 pg. (Proponents of the autonomous vehicles present facts and data to support this automotive technology.)
VF: Motor vehicles-laws.