

Missouri Legislative Library

Acquisitions – March/April 2014

ABORTION

1. Wanlund, William. "Abortion debates." CQ Researcher. Vol. 24. No. 12. March 21, 2014. pg. 265-283. (Will the Supreme Court impose new restrictions?)

CAMPAIGNS & ELECTIONS

2. Jost, Kenneth. "Voting controversies." CQ Researcher. Vol. 24. No. 8. Feb. 21, 2014. pg. 169-184. (Elections have been a source of controversy in the U.S. beginning with the 2000 presidential election.)

CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES

3. "Impact of child poverty on educational success." Capitol Facts and Figures. The Council of State Governments. March 2014. 2 pg. (This article lists several conclusions and recommendations from the CSG convened group of state and national experts, the Deeper Learning Focus Group.) VF: Poverty.

4. Ehisen, Rich. "Human trafficking." Capitol Journal. Vol. XXII. No. 5. March 17, 2014. pg. 1-5. (More states looking to offer "safe harbor" to underage trafficking victims.)

5. Comlossy, Megan. "Delivering good news." State Legislatures. Vol. 40. No. 3. March 2014. pg. 30-33. (The U.S. teen birth rate has fallen by more than half over the past two decades, but it's still higher than desirable.)

6. Craig, Sean. "Juvenile life without parole post-Miller: the long, treacherous road towards a categorical rule." Washington University Law Review. Vol. 91. No. 2. 2013. pg. 379-410. (In the wake of Miller and Graham, some commentators have suggested that we now live under a "new" Eighth Amendment, one where judicial scrutiny has finally slipped the shackles of the "death is different" doctrine and where proportionality could have serious teeth in non-capital cases.)

7. Davis, Samuel. Rights of Juveniles. The Juvenile Justice System. 2014 edition. 591 pg. KF 9794.D38 2014. (Accurate, authoritative information regarding the juvenile justice system.)

8. Greenblatt, Alan. "Youth unemployment." CQ Researcher. Vol. 24. No. 11. March 14, 2014. pg. 241-249. (Will good jobs continue to elude young adults?)

CRIME & CRIMINAL JUSTICE

9. Tormey, Kate. "New era in corrections." Stateline Midwest. Vol. 23. No. 2. Feb. 2014. pg. 1-7. (In states such as Michigan, Ohio and South Dakota, recent reforms aim to cut costs, improve public safety.)

10. Mike DeWine, Ohio Attorney General. "Taking back the streets." Stateline Midwest. Vol. 23. No. 2. Feb. 2014. pg. 9. (Ohio initiative combines law enforcement, rehabilitation and community approaches to battle violent neighborhood crime.)

11. Ehisen, Rich. "Governors." Capitol Journal. Vol. XXII. No. 5. March 17, 2014. pg. 9-11. (This article highlights New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo's still developing Inmate College Plan, which would provide a free college education to adult inmates.)

6. Craig, Sean. "Juvenile life without parole post-Miller: the long, treacherous road towards a categorical rule." *Washington University Law Review*. Vol. 91. No. 2. 2013. pg. 379-410. (In the wake of Miller and Graham, some commentators have suggested that we now live under a "new" Eighth Amendment, one where judicial scrutiny has finally slipped the shackles of the "death is different" doctrine and where proportionality could have serious teeth in non-capital cases.)

12. Ehisen, Rich. "Governors." *Capitol Journal*. Vol. XXII. No. 10. April 7, 2014. pg. 11-13. (Mississippi Gov. Phil Bryant signed prison sentence reform legislation last week that supporters say should save the state \$266 million over the next decade. Mississippi follows a host of other states to make major sentencing changes in recent years.)

13. Barzee, Michael. "Fifteen years and counting: the past, present and future of Missouri's sexually violent predator act." *UMKC Law Review*. Vol. 82. No. 2. Winter 2014. pg. 513-535. (In 2006, the SVP Act was amended to reduce the State's burden of proof in SVP commitment proceedings and to decrease the committed individual's opportunities for release. This article suggests these amendments should be repealed and replaced with others because they raise numerous issues, including constitutional and safeguard issues.)

DRUGS & DRUG TESTING

14. Ehisen, Rich. "States embracing efforts to combat rise in heroin deaths." *Capitol Journal*. Vol. XXII. No. 6 March 3, 2014. . pg. 1-5. (A growing number of states are moving away from strictly punitive laws aimed at curbing heroin use in favor of measures aimed at first saving lives.)

15. Illinois close to joining Michigan as second Midwest state to allow use of medical marijuana." *Stateline Midwest*. Vol. 23. No. 3. March 2014. pg. 3. (Nearly half of all states, including Illinois and Michigan, now have laws allowing patients with certain conditions to use marijuana for medical purposes.)

16. Greer, Lauren. "Special condition: medical marijuana in SLC states." *Southern Legislative Conference of the Council of State Governments*. March 2014. pg. 1-7. (Many SLC lawmakers cite stories of families with children suffering from severe seizure disorders that failed to respond to the more conventional treatments as the impetus for the push toward legalizing marijuana for medical purposes.) VF: Marijuana.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

17. CanagaRetna, Sujit M. "Aeronautics in the SLC states." *Southern Legislative Conference of The Council of State Governments*. Feb. 2014. 39 pg. (Increasing numbers of aeronautics companies are locating, relocating or expanding their manufacturing operations in the South.)

18. Ginn, Jennifer. "A shared destiny." *Capitol Ideas*. Vol. 57. No. 2. Mar/Apr 2014. pg. 12-15. (Workforce development is dependent on education success.)

19. Burnett, Jennifer. "Training for today." *Capitol Ideas*. Vol. 57. No. 2. Mar/Apr 2014. pg. 18-21. (States focusing on retraining workforce for 21st century.)

20. Branham, Mary. "Made in the USA." *Capitol Ideas*. Vol. 57. No. 2. Mar/Apr 2014. pg. 26-29. (Companies are beginning to bring manufacturing jobs back to the U.S.-Reshoring Initiative.)

21. "Index of state momentum." *State Policy Reports*. Vol. 32. Issue 6. March 2014. pg. 2-7. (This update of the index illustrates the disruptive effect the federal fiscal policy has had on the national economy. Specifically, it highlights surprisingly low personal income rates, reflecting re-imposition of the full Social Security withholding tax rate in 2013.)

EDUCATION

22. Kardish, Chris. "Chicago grads." *Governing*. Vol. 27. No. 6. March 2014. pg. 37-40. (The city is retooling its community colleges to graduate more residents. Some worry the changes aren't focused on the best kind of jobs.)

23. Clemmitt, Marcia. "Homeschooling." CQ Researcher. Vol. 24. No. 10. March 7, 2014. pg. 217-226. (Do parents give their children a good education?)

24. "What state policymakers need to know about funding virtual charter schools. The Progress of Education Reform. Education Commission of the States. Vol. 15. No. 1. Feb. 2014. 6 pg. REF LA 214.2. (In the last ten years, enrollment in virtual charter schools has grown to more than 310,000 students in 30 states.)

25. Digest of education statistics, 2012. Washington, D.C. : National Center for Education Statistics, Dec. 2013. 801 p. (Over 400 tables of statistics are included, covering seven broad areas: all levels of education, elementary and secondary, postsecondary, federal programs, education outcomes, international comparisons and technology.) Ref L11 .D54.

26. State programs in region aim to get entire family involved in early-childhood education." Stateline Midwest. Vol. 23. No. 3. March 2014. pg. 2. (These programs, and others like them across the Midwest, focus on the importance of early learning for the whole family-a goal that goes along with the current push among policymakers to ensure that more students are ready for school.)

EMPLOYERS & EMPLOYEES

27. Mejeur, Jeanne. "Maximum divide on minimum wage." State Legislatures. Vol. 40. No. 3. March 2014. pg. 14-17. (Studies abound on the minimum wage, but the conclusions drawn vary greatly.)

28. Johnson, Nicholas. "Evidence shows raising minimum wage hasn't cost jobs." Capitol Ideas. Vol. 57. No. 2. Mar/Apr 2014. pg. 22-29. (Several studies in recent years have shown, at most, very little difference in employment for workers in affected industries in states that have raised their minimum wage compared with neighboring states that haven't.)

29. Kliewer, Lauren. "Benefits in doubt." Stateline Midwest. Vol. 23. No. 3. March 2014. pg. 1-7. (Turbulent period in unemployment-insurance program has led to many changes in state and federal policies.)

30. Greenblatt, Alan. "Youth unemployment." CQ Researcher. Vol. 24. No. 11. March 14, 2014. pg. 241-249. (Will good jobs continue to elude young adults?)

ENERGY

31. Durkay, Jocelyn. "On-bill financing: cost-free energy efficiency." Legisbrief. Vol. 22. No. 10. March 2014. 2 pg. (On-bill financing helps consumers afford energy-efficient technology by providing loans or tariffs for upgrades that are incorporated into charges on utility bills.) VF: Energy conservation.

ENVIRONMENT

32. Schultz, Jennifer. "Sentinel landscapes: a novel approach to land conservation." Legisbrief. Vol. 22. No. 12. March 2014. 2 pg. (The Sentinel Landscapes Partnership is a unique collaboration between federal agencies to protect agricultural land, wildlife habitat and military training areas from incompatible development.) VF: Land use.

33. Miller, Debra. "Balancing the need for jobs with protecting the environment." Capitol Ideas. Vol. 57. No. 2. Mar/Apr 2014. (This articles discusses the careful balance policymakers work to achieve between business interests-which also provide jobs to their constituents-and protecting the environment.)

34. Owen, Dave. "Taking groundwater." Washington University Law Review. Vol. 91. No. 2. 2013. pg. 253-307. (In Feb. 2012, in a case called Edwards Aquifer Authority vs. Day, the Texas Supreme Court held that landowners hold property rights to the groundwater beneath their land and that a regulatory restriction on groundwater use could constitute a taking of private property. The decision provoked strong reactions throughout the world of water law, for it signaled the possibility of severe restrictions on groundwater use regulation.)

FINANCE & REVENUE

35. "State government general expenditures 2012." State Policy Reports. Vol. 32. Issue 4. Feb. 2014. pg. 1-8. (The U.S. Census Bureau has released its survey of state government finances for fiscal year 2012. This issue of SPR looks at the expenditure side of the new data.)

36. Lloyd, David. "Poor finances, uncertainty about looming revenue collapse threaten state economy." Policy report. Fiscal Policy Center at Voices for Illinois Children. 9 pg. March 2014. (If Illinois' income tax rates decline as scheduled at the end of this year, the resulting revenue collapse will threaten the state's economy recovery, curtail the ability to support vital investments, and create more uncertainty over how the state will meet its many obligations.) VF: State Finance & Revenue.

HEALTH, WELFARE & SOCIAL SERVICES

37. Flores, Qiana Torres & Aubrey Hasvold. "Individual development accounts for foster youth." Legisbrief. Vol. 22. No. 9. March 2014. 2 pg. (Nearly 26,000 young people "age out" of the foster care system annually, which means that between the ages of 18 and 21, they lost most or all public support.) VF: Foster care.

38. Patton, Zach. "Hungry again." Governing. Vol. 27. No. 6. March 2014. pg. 28-34. (America's hunger rate has trended back up in the last few years. States can fight it-up to a point.)

15. "Illinois close to joining Michigan as second Midwest state to allow use of medical marijuana." Stateline Midwest. Vol. 23. No. 3. March 2014. pg. 3. (Nearly half of all states, including Illinois and Michigan, now have laws allowing patients with certain conditions to use marijuana for medical purposes.)

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39. Buntin, John. "Life support." Governing. Vol. 27. No. 7. April 2014. pg. 38-44. (Hospitals may be rural America's single most important institution; they are also its most endangered.)

INSURANCE

40. "Health care toolkit for state budget officers. Resources for implementing the Affordable Care Act & other health reforms." National Association of State Budget Officers. Spring 2014. 22 pg. (This report examines key health care issues, considerations, and available resources in five core areas pertinent to state budget officers as they analyze the implementation of the ACA and other health reforms: 1) explaining health care cost trends: 2) bracing for budget volatility: 3) monitoring health insurance exchanges or marketplaces: 4) evaluating Medicaid managed care expansions and 5) assessing the impacts of care delivery and payment reforms. VF: Insurance-health.

MISSOURI HISTORY

41. Boman, Dennis K. Lincoln's resolute unionist: Hamilton Gamble, Dred Scott dissenter and Missouri's Civil War governor. 2006. 262 pg. F 466.2G B66. (As provisional governor of Missouri during the Civil War, Hamilton Gamble worked closely with the Lincoln administration to keep the state from seceding from the Union.)

MOTOR VEHICLES

42. "Autonomous vehicle legislation." Capitol Research. The Council of State Governments. March 2014. pg. 1-7. (This article discusses impact, benefits and legislation of self-driving vehicles.) VF: Motor vehicles-Laws.

POLITICS & GOVERNMENT

43. Price, Tom. "Polarization in America." CQ Researcher. Vol. 24. No. 9. Feb. 28, 2014. pg. 193-208. (Does partisan conflict threaten democracy?)

REFERENCE

44. The Bluebook. a uniform system of citation. 19th ed. 2010. 511 pg. includes index. R KF 245.B58 2010. (The current edition of The Bluebook retains the same basic approach to legal citation established by its predecessors. The layout of the Bluebook has been updated to make the information easier to access.)

25. Digest of education statistics, 2012. Washington, D.C. : National Center for Education Statistics, Dec. 2013. 801 p. (Over 400 tables of statistics are included, covering seven broad areas: all levels of education, elementary and secondary, postsecondary, federal programs, education outcomes, international comparisons and technology.) Ref L11 .D54.

STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT

45. Greenblatt, Alan. "Out in the country." Governing. Vol. 27. No. 7. April 2014. pg. 27-32. (Rural lawmakers are dwindling in number. But the split between urban and rural politics is as big as ever.)