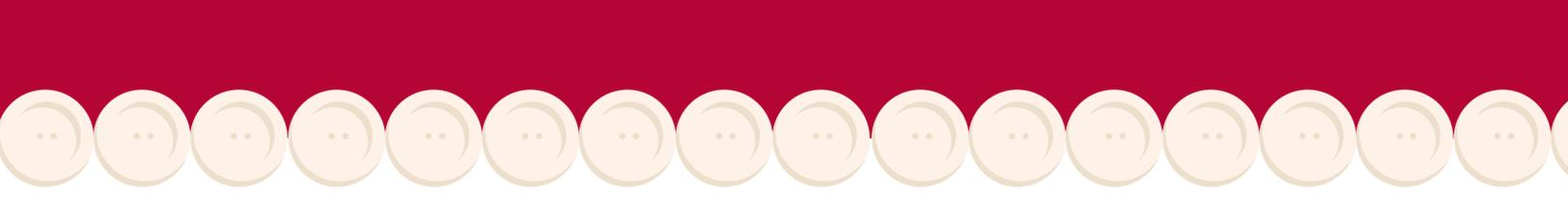


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## Politics

Bike, William S. **Winning political campaigns: a comprehensive guide to electoral success.** 2nd ed. Juneau, AK: Denali Press, 2001. 272 p.

"A comprehensive handbook for planning, organizing, and executing a successful campaign for elective office."

**The state of state legislative ethics: a look at the ethical climate and ethics laws for state legislators.** Denver, CO: National Conference of State Legislatures, Center for Ethics in Government, 2002. 164 p.

"Examines the ethical climate within the states and contains the first-ever detailed overview of all 50 states' ethics laws."

Candice J. Nelson, David A. Dulio, and Stephen K. Medvic, eds. **Shades of gray : perspectives on campaign ethics.** Washington, D.C.: Brookings Institution Press, 2002. 262 p.

In thirteen essays, "examines the broad questions of ethics in campaigns ... [and] provides a comprehensive assessment of the ethical

challenges facing candidates, professional political consultants, political parties, organized interest groups, the media, and citizens."

## Policy

Hird, John A. **Power, knowledge, and politics: policy analysis in the states.** Washington, D.C.: Georgetown University Press, 2005. 240 p. (American governance and public policy).

"Dissects the nature of the policy institutions and policymakers establish and analyzes the connections between policy research and how it is actually used in decision making."

Denning, Stephen. **The springboard: how storytelling ignites action in knowledge-era organizations.** Boston: Butterworth-Heinemann, 2001. 221 p.

"Explains how we can use storytelling as a springboard to communicate new or envisioned strategies, structures, identities, goals, and values to employees, partners, customers, and ourselves."

Osborne, David & Peter Hutchinson. **The price of government: getting the results we need in an age of permanent fiscal crisis.** New York: Basic Books, 2004. 370p.

"A clear, step-by-step roadmap for change, offering concrete solutions...describing a radically different approach to budgeting – one that focuses on buying results for citizens rather than cutting or adding to last year's spending programs."

Goldsmith, Stephen & William D. Eggers. **Governing by network: the new shape of the public sector.** Washington, D.C.: Brookings Institution Press, 2004. 224 p. (Innovations in American Government, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University.)

"Government has come to rely far more on a vast complex of nongovernmental partners, but it has not figured out how to manage them well." This book describes "the new shape of government" and gives practical suggestions of how to manage it.

**Legislating for results.** Denver, CO: National Conference of State Legislatures, 2003. 125 p.

“Deliberation on state priorities has become more focused and less acrimonious by using this budget model.” Includes sixteen action briefs with supporting material and a CD-ROM with actual hearing recordings.

Rosenthal, Alan. **Heavy lifting: the job of the American legislature.** Washington, D.C.: CQ Press, 2004. 262p.

“Represents an effort to explore just how legislatures perform these critical functions [representing constituents and constituencies, lawmaking, and balancing the power of the executive.”

Lefebvre, Louis A., Elisabeth Lefebvre & Pierre Mohnen, eds. **Doing business in knowledge-based economy: facts and policy challenges.** Boston: Kluwer Academic Publishers, 2001. 494 p.

Describes features of a knowledge-based economy, selected management issues and economic phenomena often found in such economies, and some political and policy considerations.

## Issues for Alaska

**Our choices, our future: analysis of the status of Alaska Natives report 2004.** Anchorage, AK: Alaska Native Policy Center, First Alaskans Institute, [2004]. 139p.

<http://www.firstalaskans.org/library/ANPCa.pdf>

“An analysis of the 2004 statistics [from the Status of Alaska Natives

Report 2004 by the Institute of Social and Economic Research at the University of Alaska Anchorage] from a Native point of view, for a Native audience.”

Goldsmith, Oliver Scott, Linda Leask & Mary Killorin. **Alaska's budget: where the money came from and went, 1990-2002.** Anchorage, Alaska: Institute of Social and Economic Research, University of Alaska Anchorage, [2003]. 4 p.  
<http://www.iser.uaa.alaska.edu/Home/ResearchAreas/fiscalpolicy13%5F1.htm>

An overview of Alaska's budget and economy that is easy to read and to understand. Great for constituents.

American Legislative Exchange Council. **Energy, environment, and economics: a guide for state legislators.** 3rd ed. Washington, D.C.: American Legislative Exchange Council, 2005. 79p.

“Access to a wide variety of affordable energy sources is threatened by the encroachment of regulatory restraints put into place under the auspices of concern about global climate change.”

**Bamberger, Robert. Strategic petroleum reserve.** [Washington, D.C.]: Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress, [2005]. 16 p. (CRS issue brief for Congress; order code IB87050).

<http://www.uscongress.com/section/pdf/CRSIB87050%5F9%5F6.pdf>

Recently updated to include the effects and ramifications of Hurricane Katrina, gives background and

analysis of the Strategic Petroleum Reserve and the Regional Home Heating Oil Reserve.

**National strategy for the physical protection of critical infrastructures and key assets.** Washington, D.C.: [Dept. of Homeland Security?]; U.S. GPO, 2003. 83p.

<http://purl.access.gpo.gov/GPO/LPS28728>

or

<http://www.dhs.gov/interweb/as-setlibrary/Physical%5FStrategy.pdf>

“The National Strategy for Physical Protection of Critical Infrastructures and Key Assets serves as a critical bridge between the National Strategy for Homeland Security and a national protection plan to be developed by the Department of Homeland Security.”

Welborn, Angie. **Remedies available to victims of identity theft.** [Washington, D.C.] : Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress, [2005]. 10p. (CRS report for Congress; order code RL31919).

“This report provides an overview of the federal laws that could assist victims of identity theft” and that penalize perpetrators. “State laws and recent legislative proposals aimed at preventing identity theft and providing additional remedies are also discussed.”



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