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● **Legislative News**

Link to a recent article from the *Governing* magazine web site:

["Party Lines"](#) by Alan Ehrenhalt

Gerrymanders make the odds against a successful challenge very hard to overcome – and to an extent dilute the political expression of voter discontent.

Recent articles from NCSL's magazine, *State Legislatures*:

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["On Behalf of Staff"](#) by Lee Leonard

Legislative staff may not always get the respect they deserve, but in Ohio, the institution would grind to a halt without them.

["New Supreme Court Speaks"](#) by David G. Savage

A pair of election law cases this year will have long-range effects.

["Democrats Deliver a Power Punch"](#) by Tim Storey and Nicole Casal Moore

For the first time since 1994, Democrats took control of the majority of the nation's state legislatures.

["Partisanship in the New Legislature"](#)

Five former leaders reflect on what's changed in state legislatures since they were there.
