



MEEA's 2018 Post-Election Analysis

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Webinar Agenda

1. Regional Highlights & Trends
2. State-by-State Results
3. Q&A

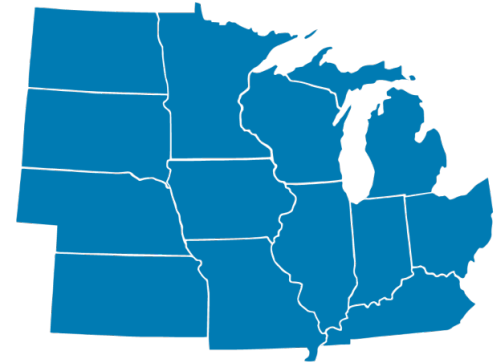
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The Trusted Source on Energy Efficiency

We are a nonprofit membership organization with **160+ members**, including:

- Utilities
- Research institutions
- State and local governments
- Energy efficiency-related businesses

As the key resource and champion for energy efficiency in the Midwest, MEEA helps a diverse range of stakeholders understand and implement cost-effective energy efficiency strategies that provide economic and environmental benefits.



Regional Highlights and Trends

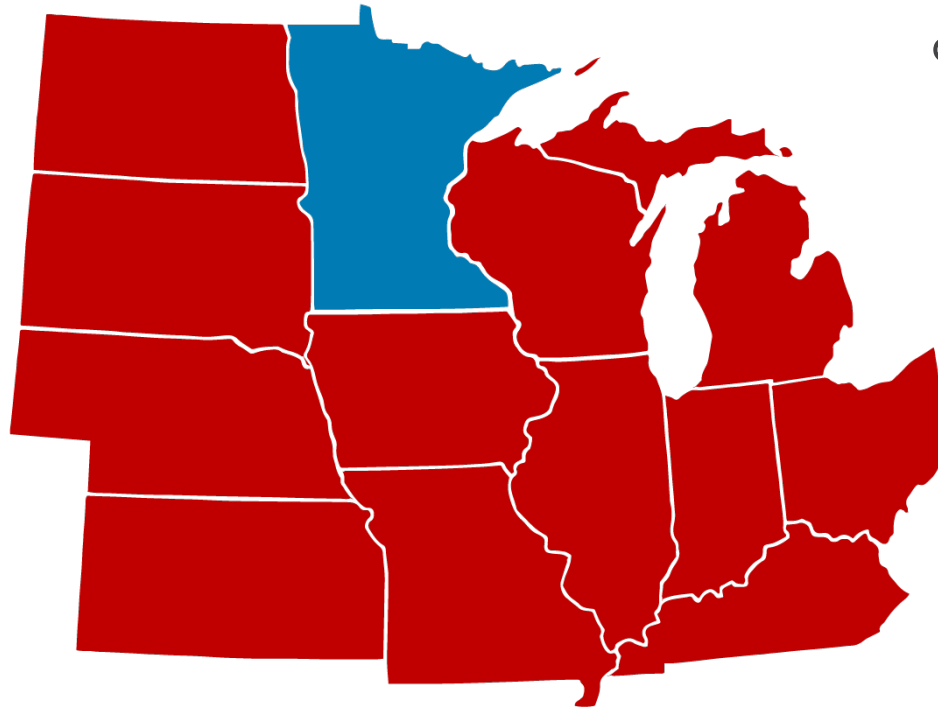
Regional Highlights & Trends

Major Takeaways

- Governor races: lots of new faces
- Minimal power change in legislatures
- Trifecta shake ups
- Only one divided legislature by party
- New EE opportunities, but existing messages on cost-effectiveness and economic benefit hold true

Regional Highlights & Trends

Governor's Party (pre-election)

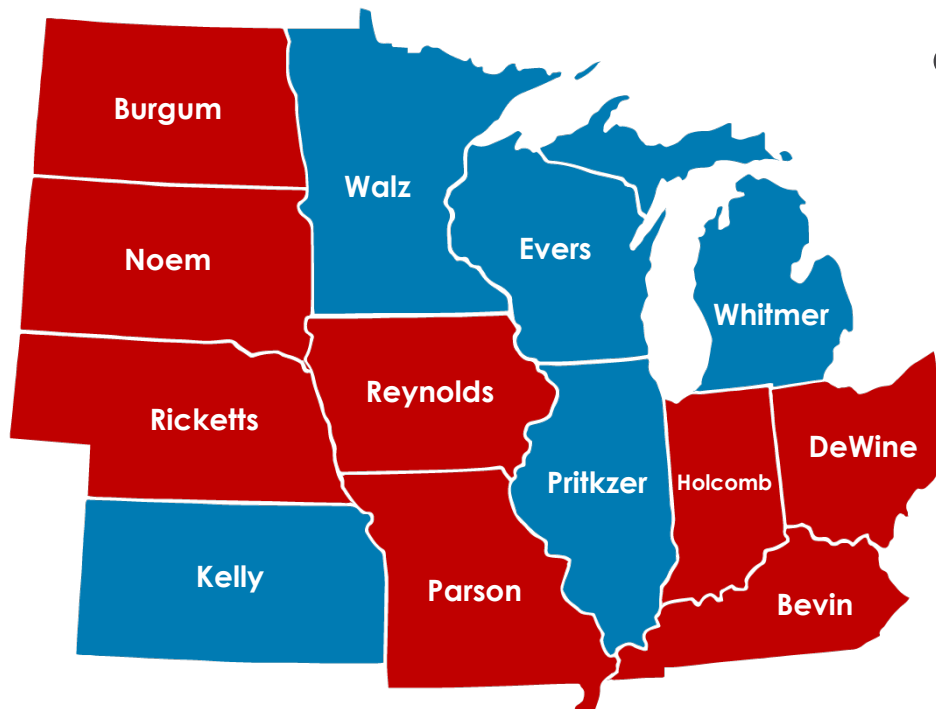


9 governors races

- Illinois
- Iowa
- Kansas
- Michigan
- Minnesota
- Nebraska
- Ohio
- South Dakota
- Wisconsin

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Governor's Party (post-election)



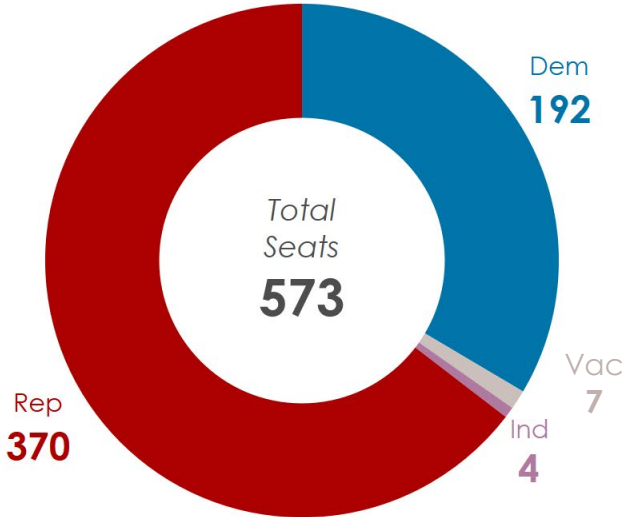
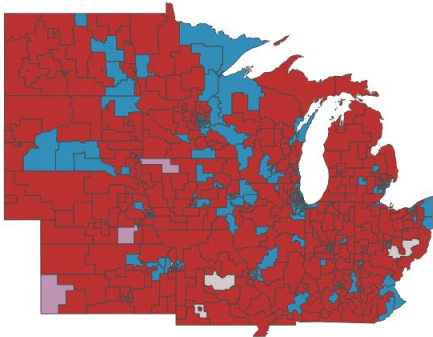
9 governors races

- 7 new governors
 - MN, OH, SD
 - 4 flipped party: IL, KS, MI, WI
- 2 incumbents re-elected
 - IA and NE

Regional Highlights & Trends

State Senate Makeup (pre-election)

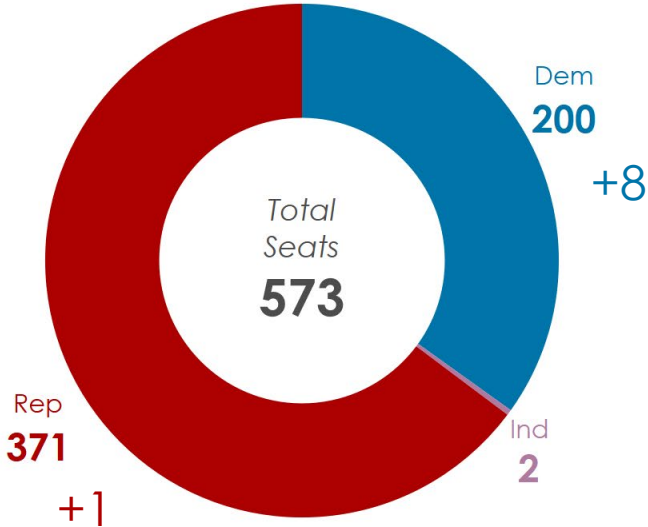
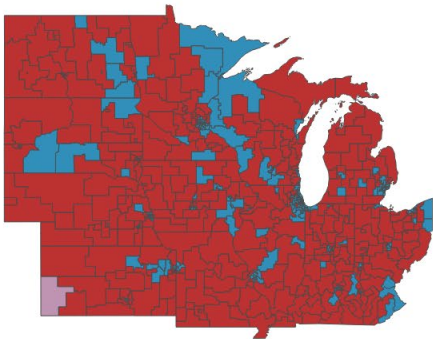
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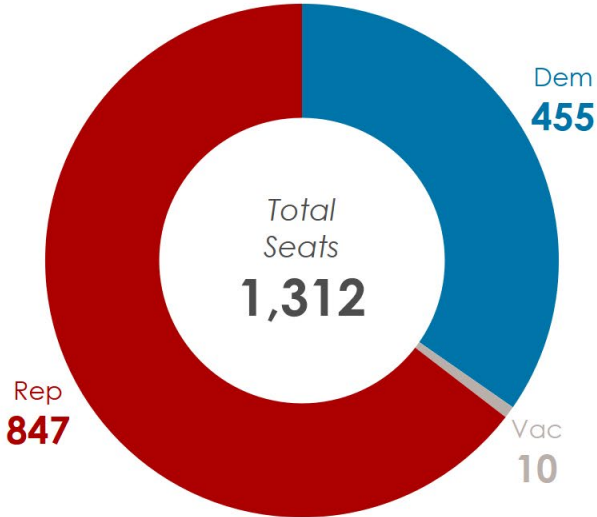
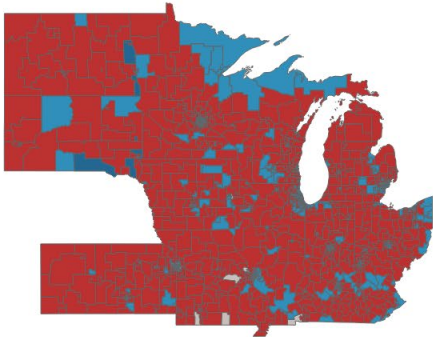


- 114 new state senators

Regional Highlights & Trends

State House Makeup (pre-election)

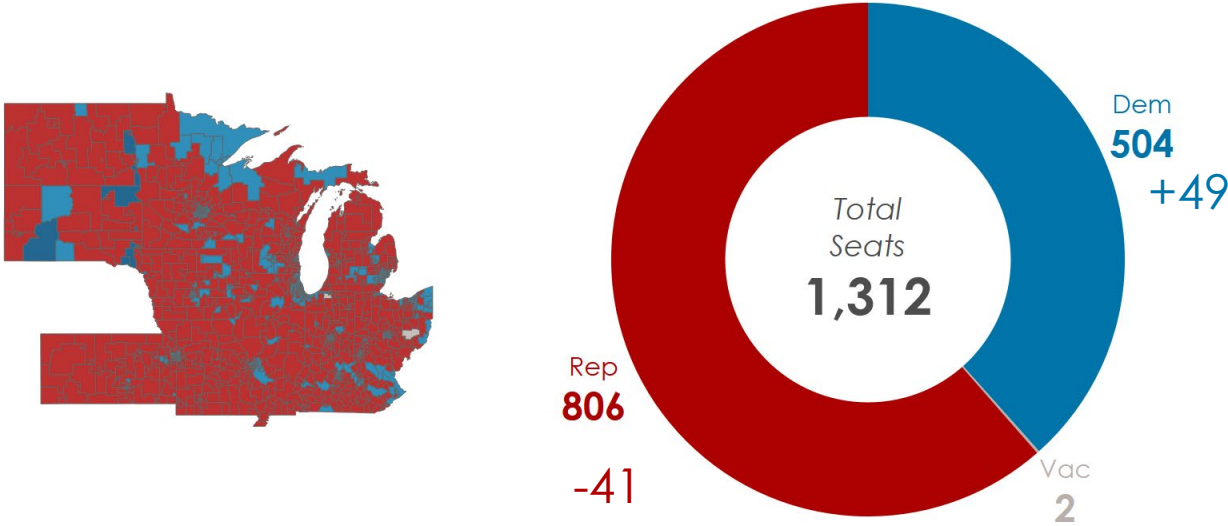
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Regional Highlights & Trends

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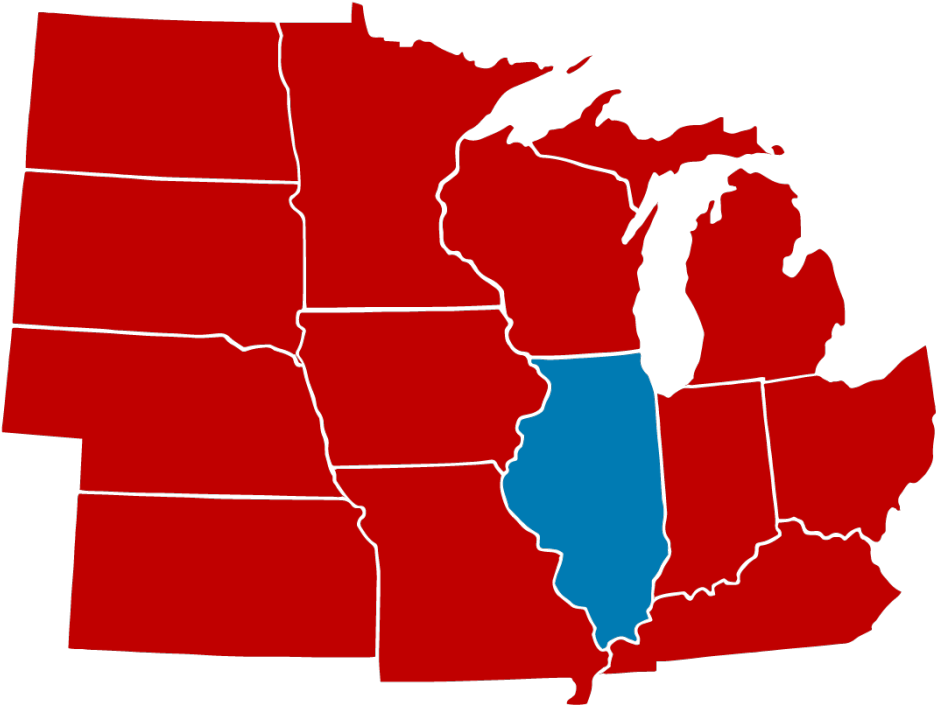
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- 352 new state representatives

Regional Highlights & Trends

Legislative Majority (pre-election)

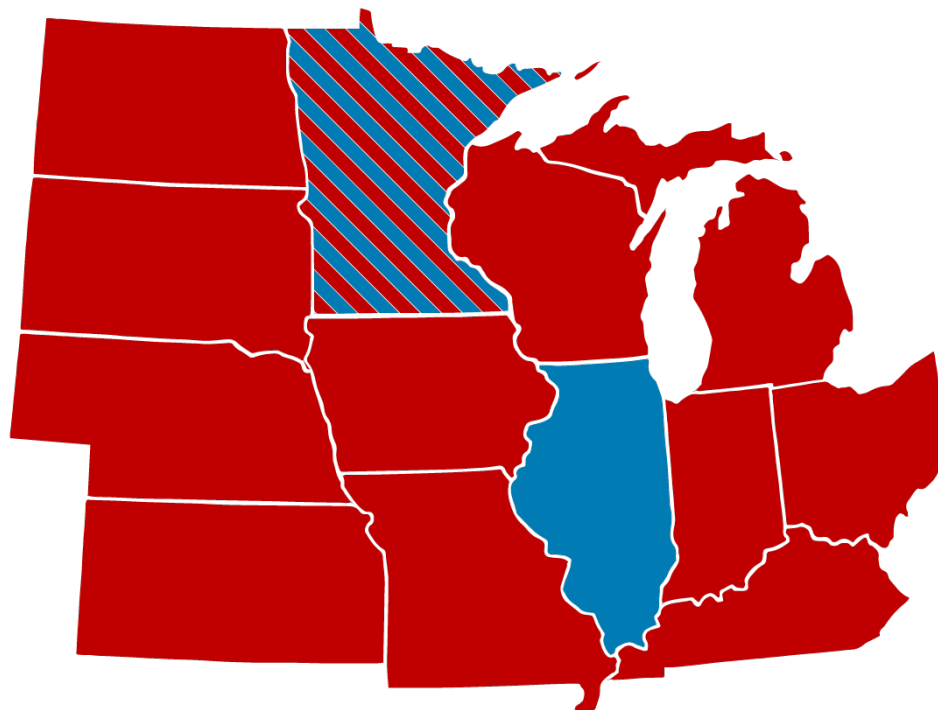


Majority party
in legislature

Rep Dem

Regional Highlights & Trends

Legislative Majority (post-election)



Majority party
in legislature



Rep Dem Split

- MN is the nation's only divided legislature

Regional Highlights & Trends

Trifectas (pre-election)

Trifecta states:

Indiana

Iowa

Kansas

Kentucky

Michigan

Missouri

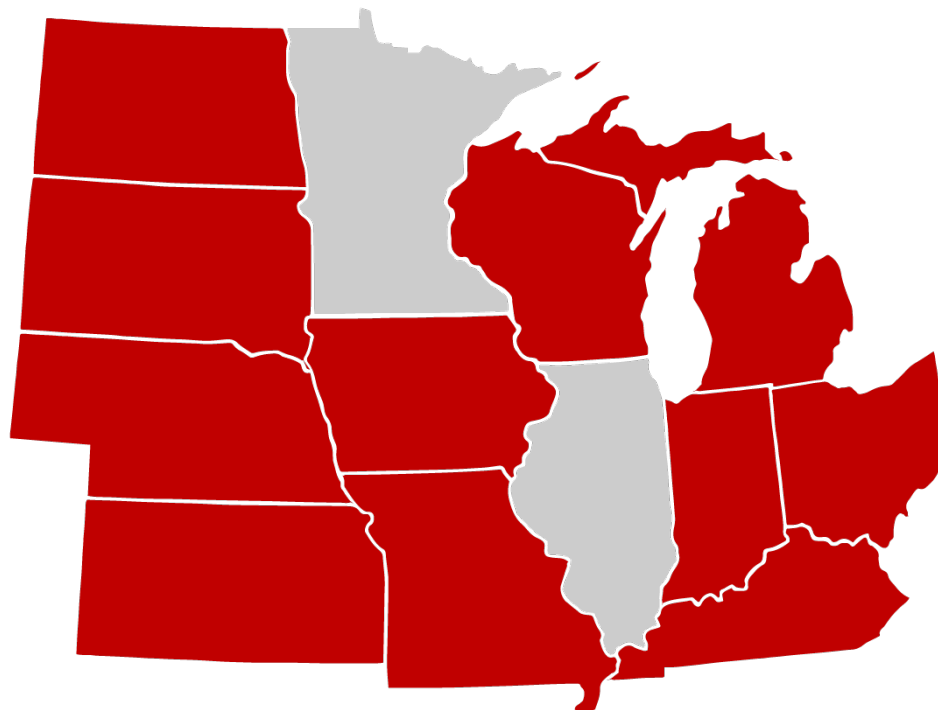
Nebraska

North Dakota

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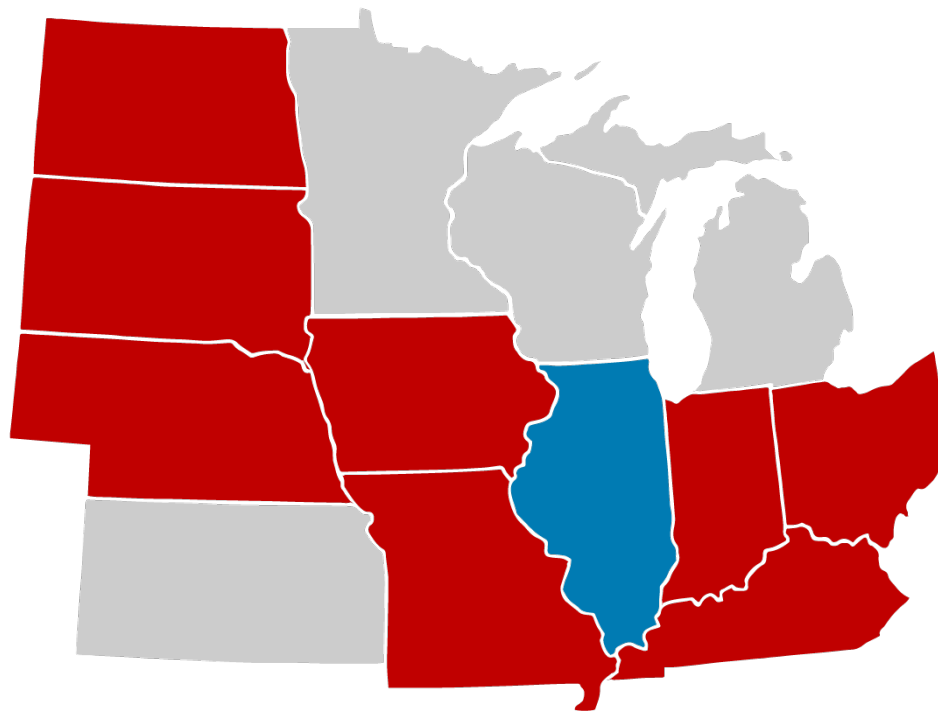
South Dakota

Wisconsin



Regional Highlights & Trends

Trifectas (post-election)



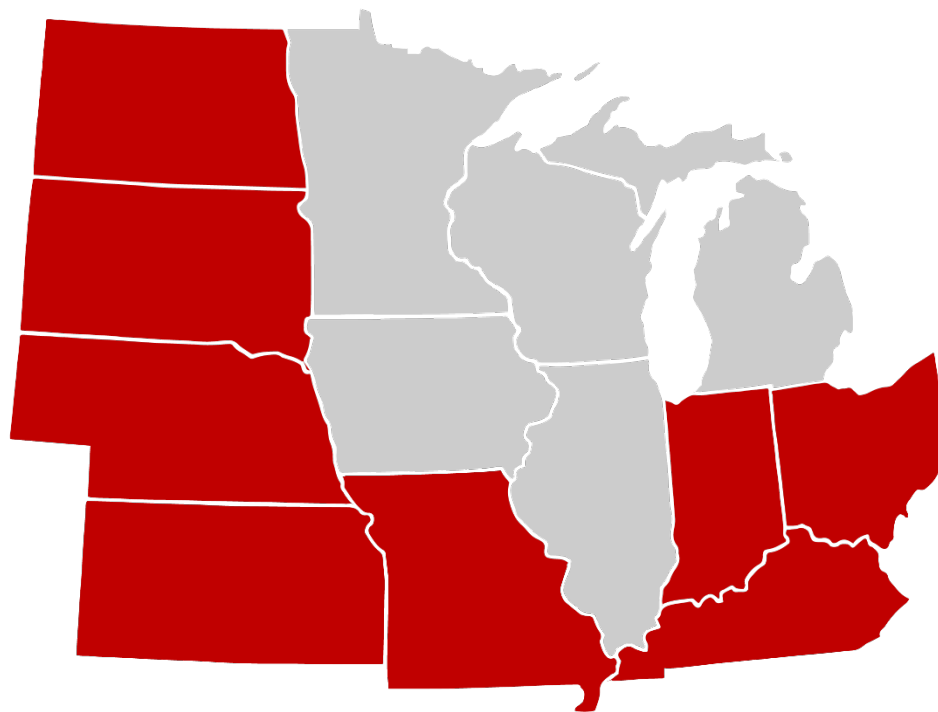
Governors
determined
trifecta status

Gained:
Illinois

Lost:
Kansas
Michigan
Wisconsin

Regional Highlights & Trends

Veto-Proof Supermajorities (pre-election)



Supermajorities:

Indiana

Kansas

Kentucky

Missouri

Nebraska

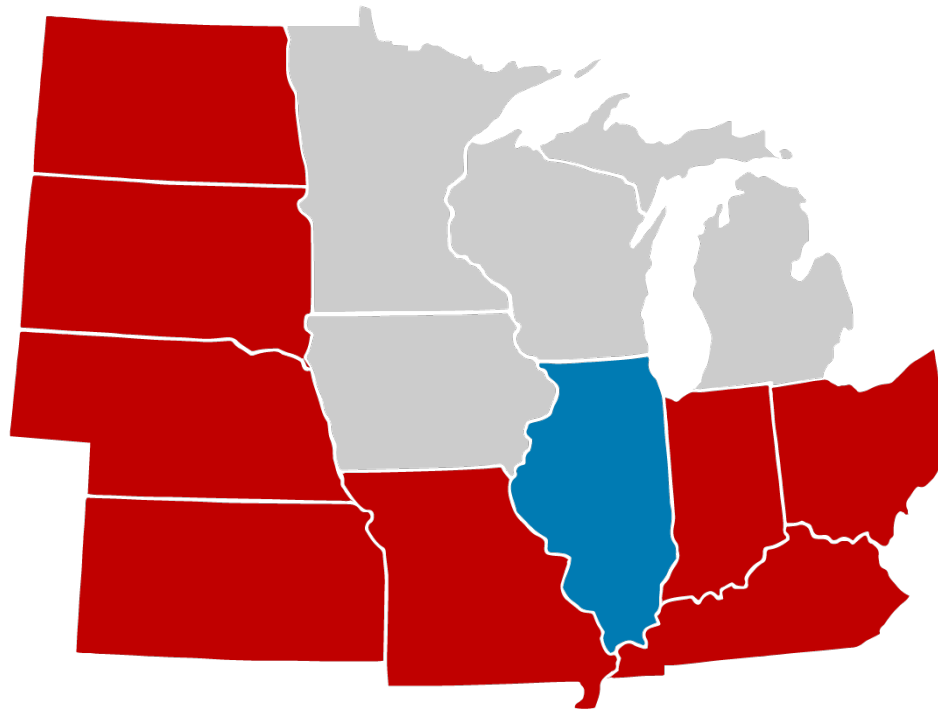
North Dakota

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Regional Highlights & Trends

Veto-Proof Supermajorities (post-election)



- IL now has supermajorities in both chambers

2018 Election Results by State

Illinois



Illinois
Governor

Governor-Elect JB Pritzker (D)

- Newly elected in 2018
- Defeated incumbent Bruce Rauner (R)
- 100% renewable energy campaign pledge
- Supports increased EE investment



Illinois Commissioners

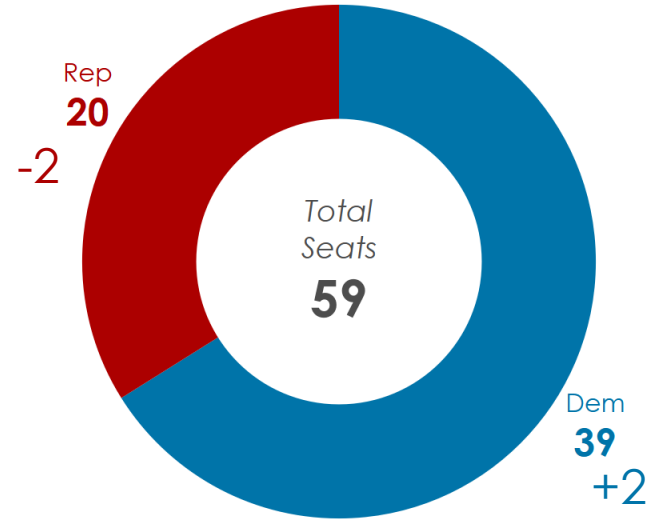
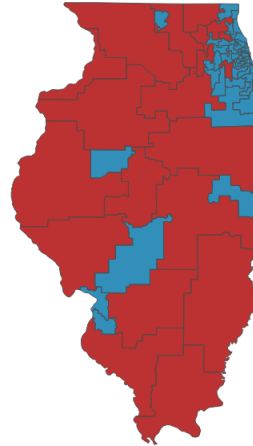
5 member commission appointed for five-year terms

Commissioner	Party	Term Ends
Chair - Brien Sheahan	R	2020
John Rosales	D	2019
Sadzi Martha Oliva	R	2020
Anastasia Pailvos	I	2023
D. Ethan Kimbrel	D	2023

Illinois

State Senate Makeup (post-election)

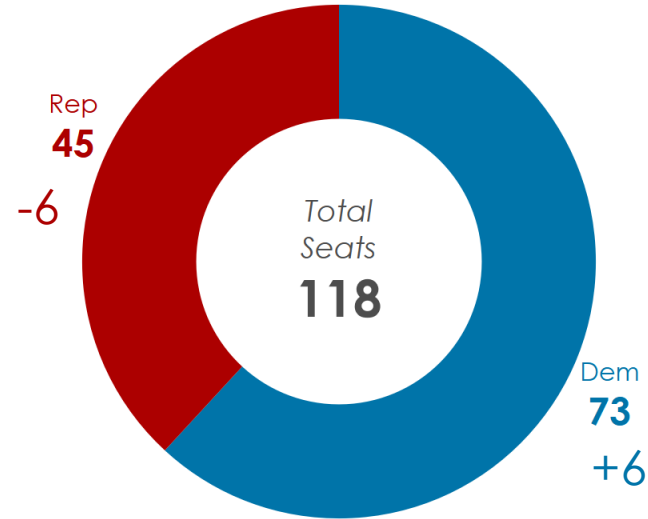
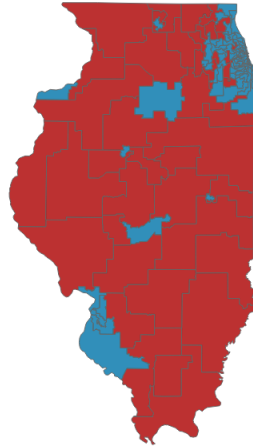
Illinois Senate Makeup - 2019



Illinois

State House Makeup (post-election)

Illinois House Makeup - 2019



- Democrats gained 2 seats in the Senate and 6 seats in the House
- Democrats gained a supermajority in the House

Outlook for Energy Efficiency

- Governor outreach to provide tangible economic value of EE
- New ICC Chair expected with additional appointments possible in 2019
- Currently updating to latest model building energy code (2018 IECC)
- FEJA 2.0
 - Remove the industrial exemption
 - Increased Natural Gas EE investment

Indiana

Indiana *Commissioners*

Five member nonpartisan commission appointed for four-year terms

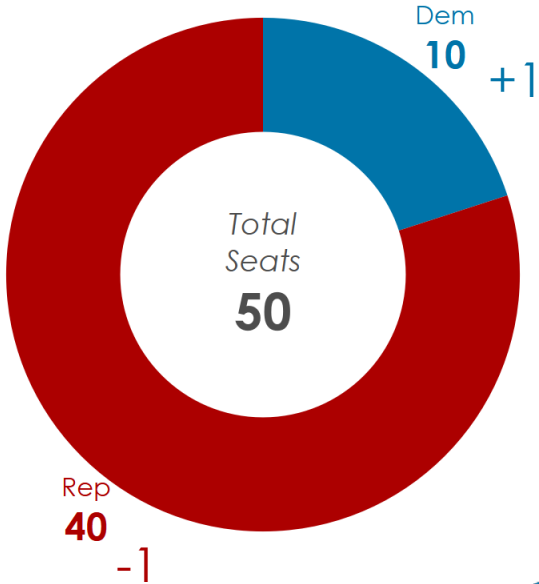
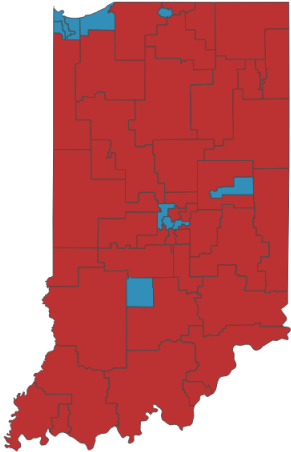
Commissioner	Term Ends
Chair James Huston	2021
David Ziegner	2019
David Ober	2020
Stefanie Krevda	2022
Sarah Freeman	2022



Indiana

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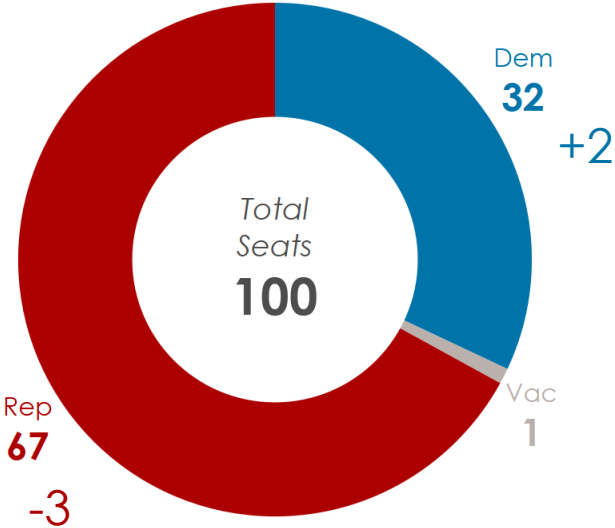
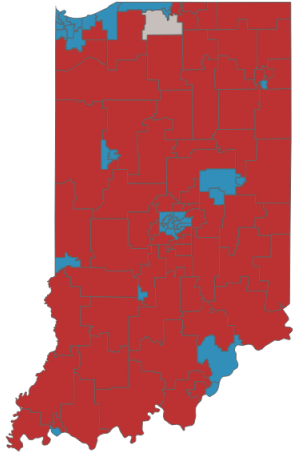
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Indiana

State House Makeup (post-election)

Indiana House Makeup - 2019



Indiana *Legislature*

- Democrats gained 1 seat in House and 2 seats in the Senate
- Republican supermajority maintained
- Re-elected incumbent (D) in House-7 resigned post-election, opening up a vacancy

Indiana

Outlook for Energy Efficiency

- Pursue maximum investment in EE through IRPs
- Commissioner education on impact of 2014 repeal and opt-out, and general value of EE
- MEEA advocacy on maintaining building energy code

Iowa

Gov. Kim Reynolds (R)

- Incumbent
- Replaced Gov. Terry Branstad in May 2017
- Led the effort to write Iowa's Energy Plan in 2016
- May 2018: signed SF 2311 into law, which significantly weakened Iowa's energy savings programs

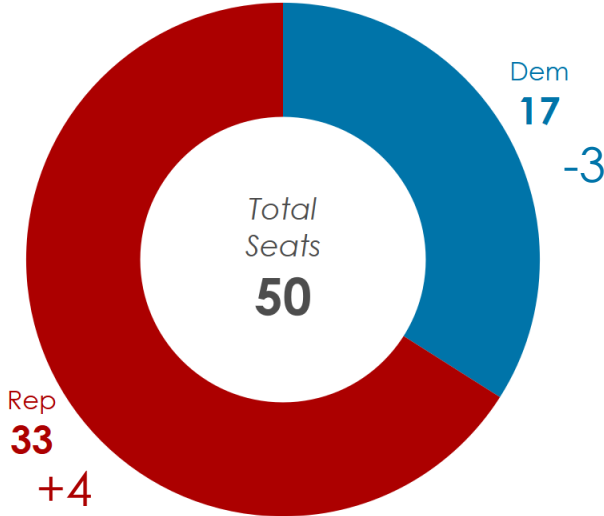
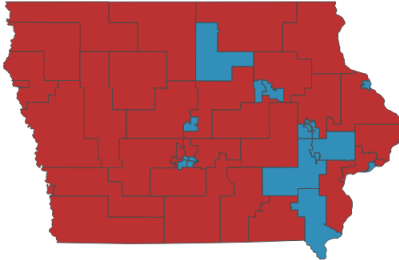


Three member nonpartisan commission appointed
for six-year terms

Commissioner	Term Ends
Chair Geri Huser	2021
Nick Wagner	2019
Richard Lozier	2023

State Senate Makeup (post-election)

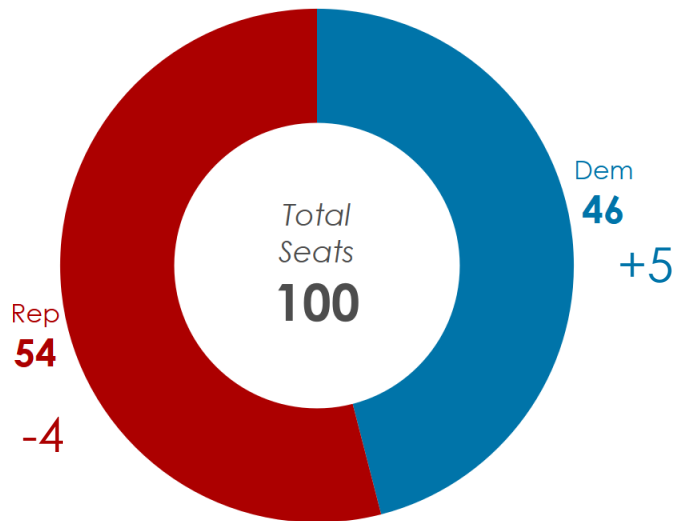
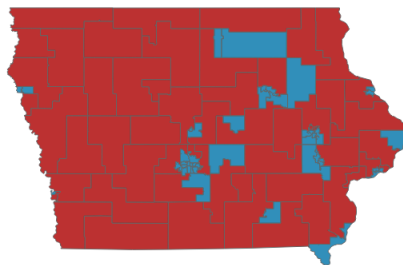
Iowa Senate Makeup - 2019



Iowa

State House Makeup (post-election)

Iowa House Makeup - 2019



- Democrats gained 5 seats in House
- Republicans gained 4 seats in the Senate
- One vacant House seat filled
- Republicans retained trifecta; made legislative gains, while congressional positions went to the Democrats

Outlook for Energy Efficiency

- Energy efficiency took a big hit in 2018 with passage of the spending cap and other weakening provisions
- The state legislature is ripe for education
- Work with state energy office to identify opportunities to fill program gaps
- Likely to start update to model building energy code (2018 IECC)
 - Current code is 6 years old (2012 IECC)
 - Assist the Iowa Building Advisory Council and Iowa Building Codes Bureau during the update process

Kansas



Gov.-Elect Laura Kelly (D)

- Newly elected in 2018
- Has served in State Senate since 2004
- Ran against Brownback administration's past actions



Kansas Commissioners

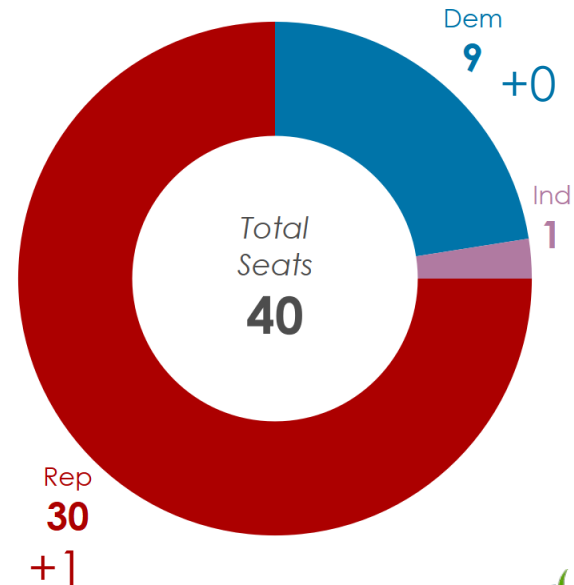
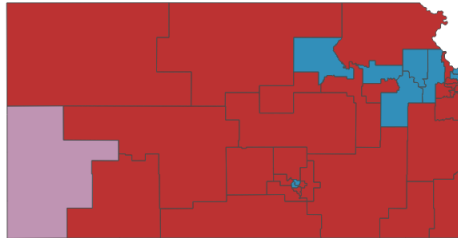
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Chair Shari Feist Albrecht	2020
Jay Scott Emler	2019
Dwight D. Keen	2022

Kansas

State Senate Makeup (post-election)

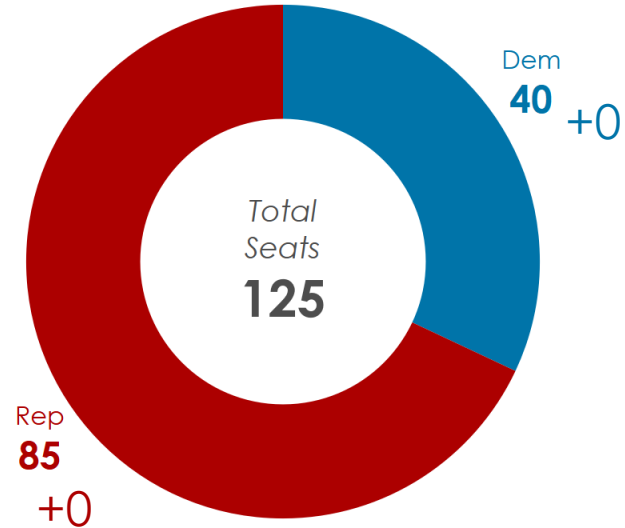
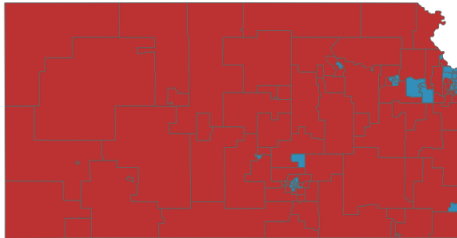
Kansas Senate Makeup - 2019



Kansas

State House Makeup (post-election)

Kansas House Makeup - 2019



Kansas *Legislature*

- Republicans gained 1 seat in Senate
- No change to House balance
- Supermajority maintained by Republicans

- Governor-elect will appoint new members to the KCC and CURB
- Potential State Energy Plan
- Provide support to local jurisdictions on energy codes adoption (Kansas adopts codes by jurisdiction rather than statewide)

Kentucky

Kentucky *Commissioners*

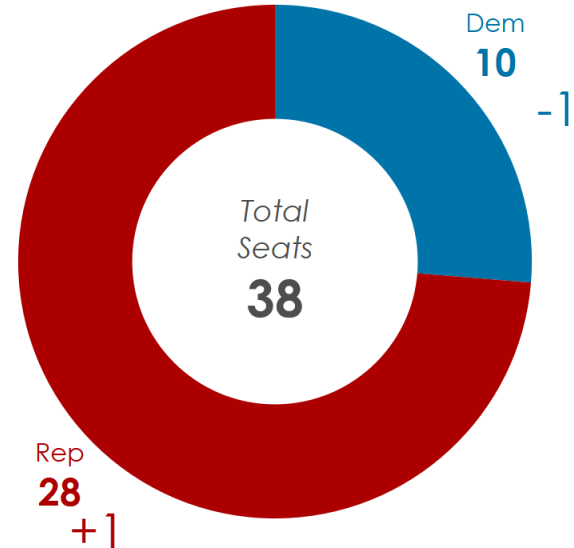
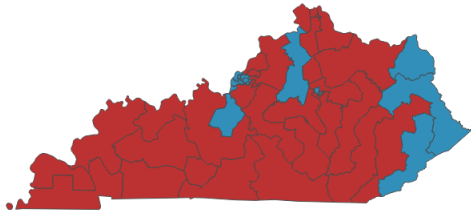
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Chair Michael Schmitt	2019
Vice Chair Robert Cicero	2020
Talina R. Mathews	2021

Kentucky

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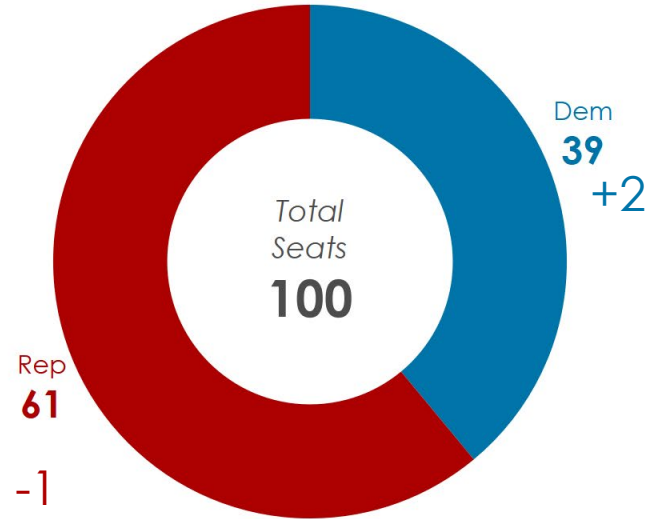
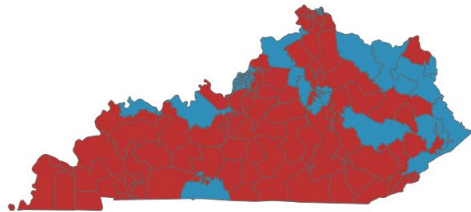
Kentucky Senate Makeup - 2019



Kentucky

State House Makeup (post-election)

Kentucky House Makeup - 2019



Kentucky *Legislature*

- Republicans gained 1 seat in Senate and lose 1 in House
- Democrats gained 2 seats in House
- One House vacancy filled
- Supermajority remains Republican in both bodies

Michigan



Michigan
Governor

Gov.-Elect Gretchen Whitmer (D)

- Newly elected in 2018
- Platform contains environmental justice and economic development
 - No specifics on energy, but transition team includes clean energy advocates



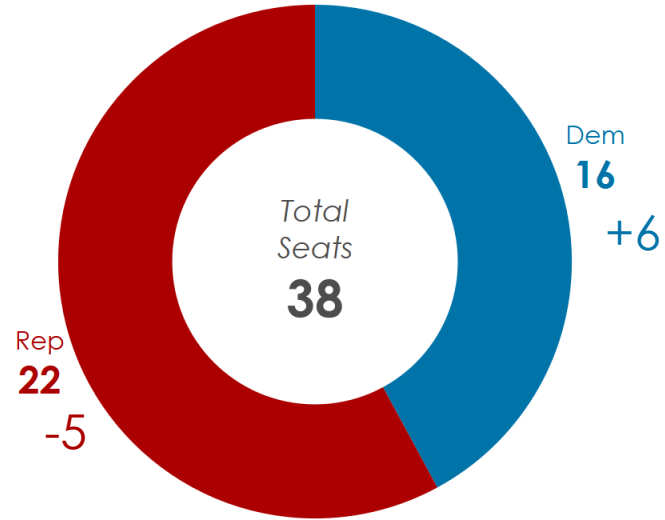
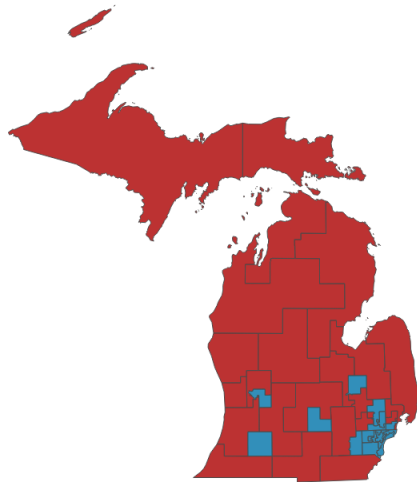
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Chair Sally Talberg	2021
Norman Saari	2019
Rachael Eubanks	2023

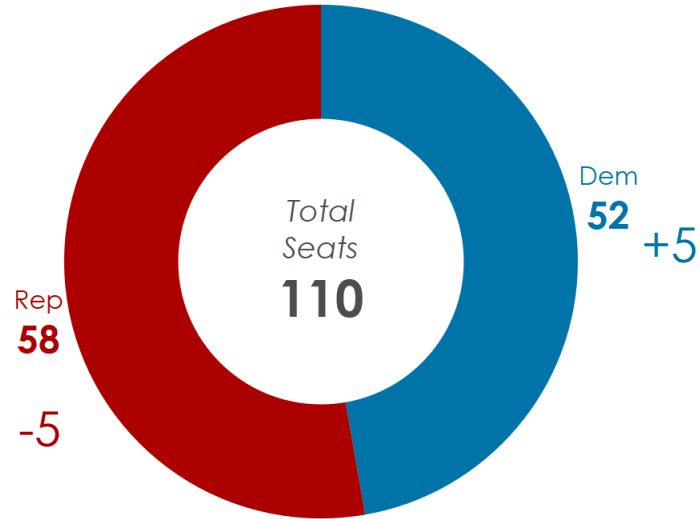
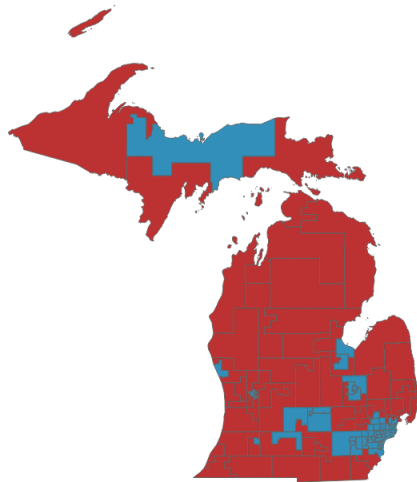
Michigan State Senate Makeup (post-election)

Michigan Senate Makeup - 2019



Michigan State House Makeup (post-election)

Michigan House Makeup - 2019



Michigan *Legislature*

- Democrats gained 5 seats in House and 6 seats in Senate
- One Senate vacancy filled
- Republicans lost Senate supermajority

Michigan

Outlook for Energy Efficiency

- 2016 legislation has spurred gains in energy waste reduction
- Any increases in EWR will require bipartisan solutions between gov. (D) and legislature (R)
- Strong commission
- Interested in increased energy code compliance, including a Codes Compliance Collaborative

Minnesota

Minnesota

Governor

Governor-Elect Tim Walz (D)

- Newly elected in 2018
- Serving in the U.S. House since 2007
- MN has longest streak Democratic governors - 12 years
- Believes EE and renewable options save communities and rural businesses money



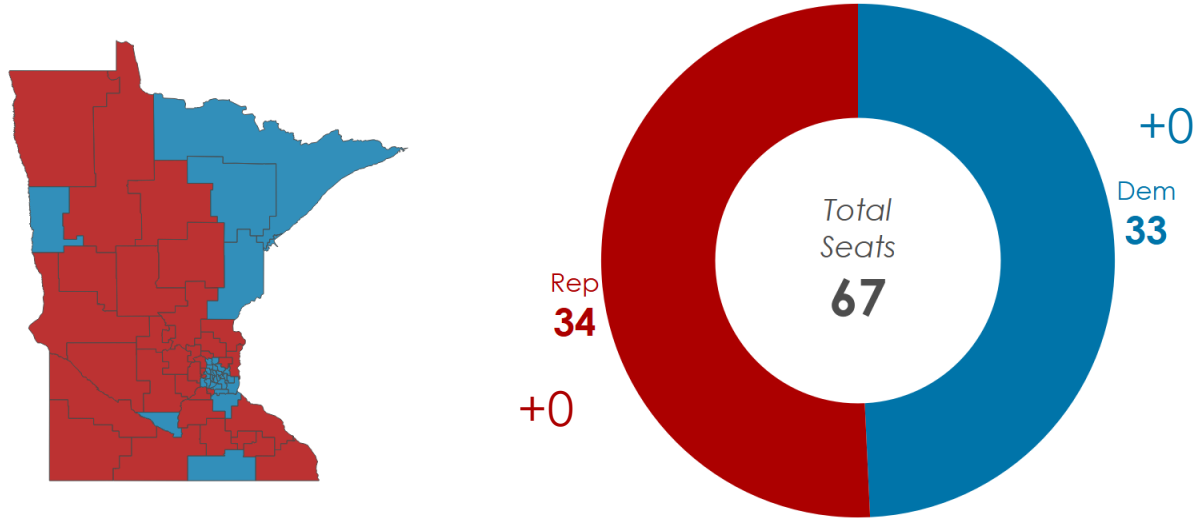
Minnesota *Commissioners*

Five member commission appointed for six-year terms

Commissioner	Party	Term Ends
Chair Nancy Lange	D	2019
Vice Chair Dan Lipschultz	D	2020
John Tuma	R	2021
Matthew Schuerger	N/A	2022
Katie Sieben	D	2023

Minnesota State Senate Makeup (post-election)

Minnesota Senate Makeup - 2019

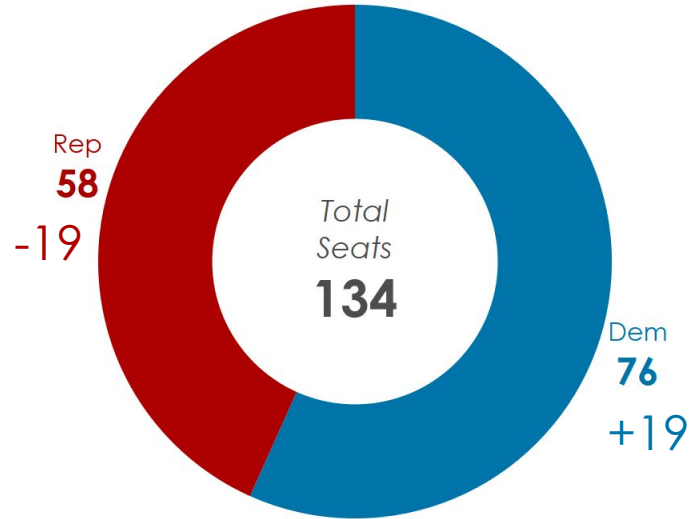
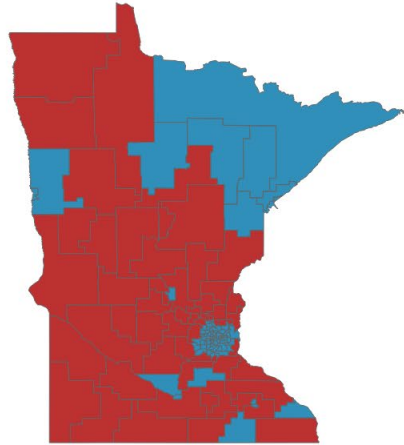


- No MN Senate elections

Minnesota

State House Makeup (post-election)

Minnesota House Makeup - 2019



Minnesota

Legislature

- All 134 members of the House were up for election
- Democrats gained 19 seats and flipped House
- Senate not up for election - will be in 2020
- Only state in the nation with a divided state legislature

Minnesota

Outlook for Energy Efficiency

- Bipartisan approach is key
- Strong commission
- MN has been strong on EE and we hope it continues with the new administration and divided legislature
- Commercial energy code on track to be updated
- The state is in jeopardy of not updating residential energy code, meaning an update won't occur for 6 more years. More effort needed.

Missouri

Governor Mike Parson (R)

- Took office June 1, 2018 following the resignation of Eric Greitens
- Previously served as Lt. Governor



Missouri *Commissioners*

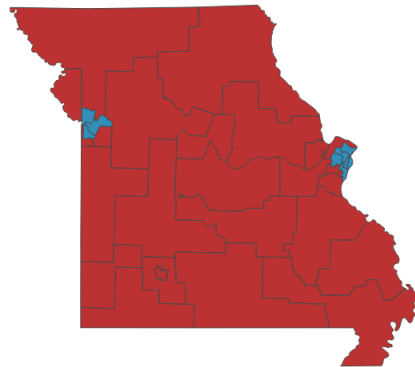
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Chair Ryan A. Silvey	2024
Bill Kenney	2019
Daniel Hall	2019
Scott Rupp	2020
Maida Coleman	2021

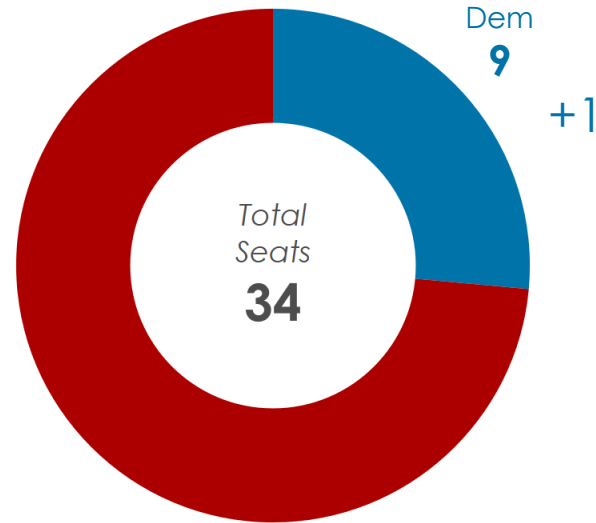
Missouri

State Senate Makeup (post-election)

Missouri Senate Makeup - 2019



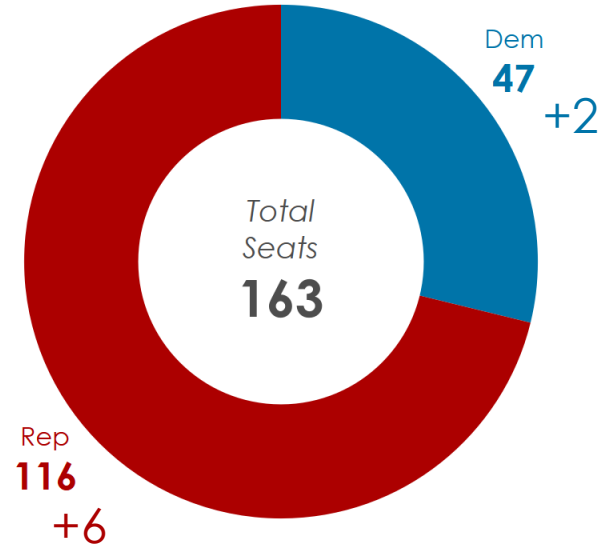
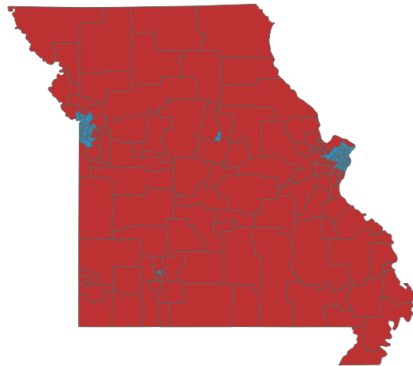
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Missouri

State House Makeup (post-election)

Missouri House Makeup - 2019



- Republicans gained 6 seats in House and 2 in Senate
- Democrats gained 1 seat in Senate and 2 in House
- 8 vacant House and 3 vacant Senate seats filled
- Supermajority remains for Republicans in both houses

Outlook for Energy Efficiency

- New MPSC Chairman Silvey is a good target for outreach and education
- The bulk of opportunity in MO is within the commission and the statewide advisory collaborative
- Missouri (a homerule state) is interested in increased energy codes compliance
 - Ameren MO launching a residential energy code compliance program in 2019
- Provide support for local jurisdictions interested in energy code adoption

Nebraska

Governor Pete Ricketts (R)

- Incumbent
- Supported the Keystone XL pipeline
- Co-owner Chicago Cubs



Nebraska Commissioners

Five member commission elected for six-year terms

Commissioner	Party	Term Ends
Chair Tim Schram	R	2025
Vice Chair Rod Johnson	R	2023
Crystal Rhoades	D	2021
Mary Ridder	R	2023
Dan Watermeier*	R	2025

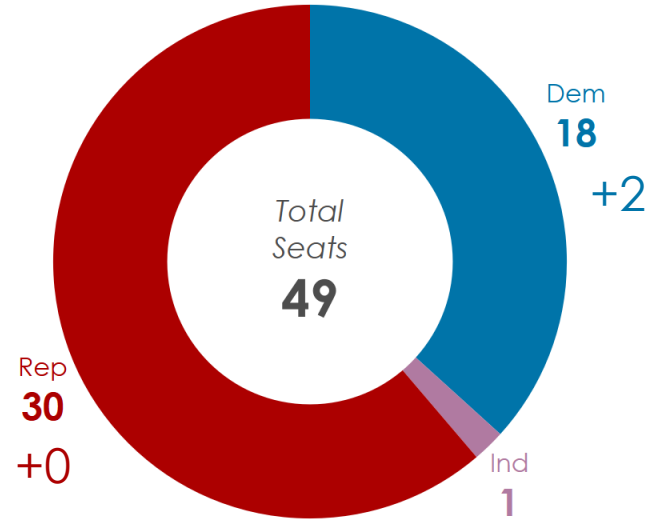
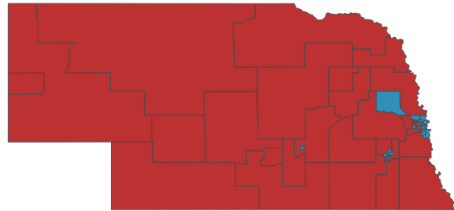
* newly elected to replace Commissioner Frank E. Landis Jr.



Nebraska

Senate Makeup (post-election)

Nebraska Senate Makeup - 2019



Nebraska

Legislature

- Democrats gained 2 seats in Senate
- One vacancy filled & one independent seat flipped to Democrat
- Supermajority maintained by Republicans

Nebraska

Outlook for Energy Efficiency

- New appointments to the state energy office – director and deputy director
- Nebraska should update its statewide energy code
 - Current energy code is a decade old (2009 IECC)
 - Should also facilitate training of builders and code officials on updated building practices
 - Nebraska is the only Midwestern state that adopts its code legislatively

North Dakota

North Dakota

Commissioners

Three member commission elected for six-year terms

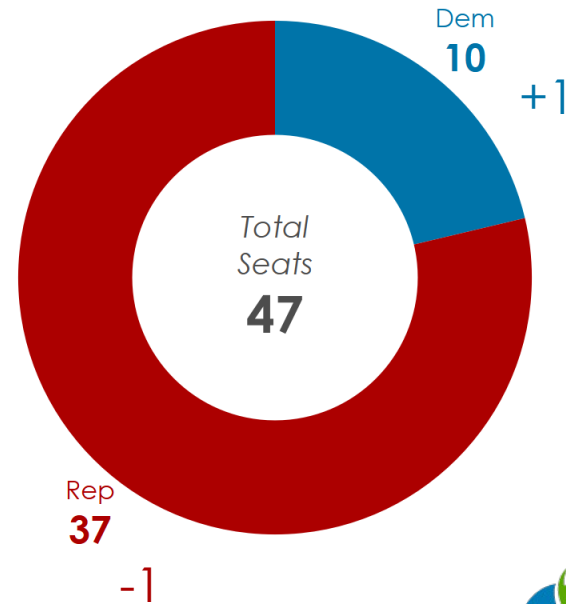
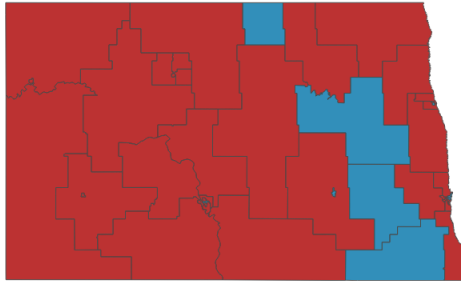
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Julie Fedorchak	R	2022



North Dakota

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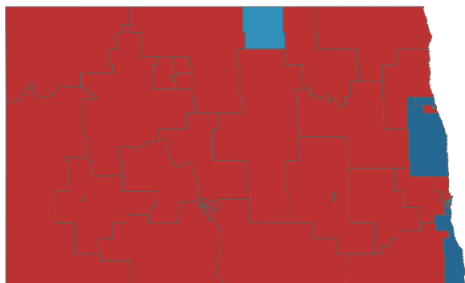
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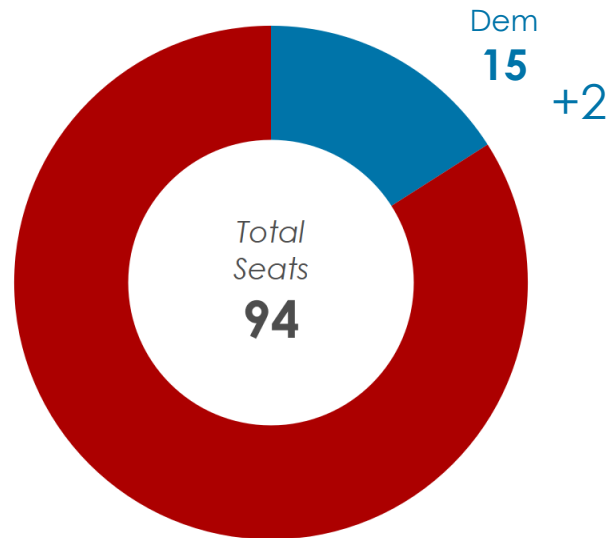
North Dakota

House Makeup (post-election)

North Dakota House Makeup - 2019



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North Dakota

Legislature

- Democrats gained 1 seats in House and 2 in Senate
- Supermajority maintained by Republicans

Ohio

Gov.-Elect Mike DeWine (R)

- Current Ohio Attorney General and former U.S. Senator
- As AG sued the U.S. EPA over the Clean Power Plan, along with 23 other states
- Supports a full range of energy options, including nuclear and natural gas



Ohio Commissioners

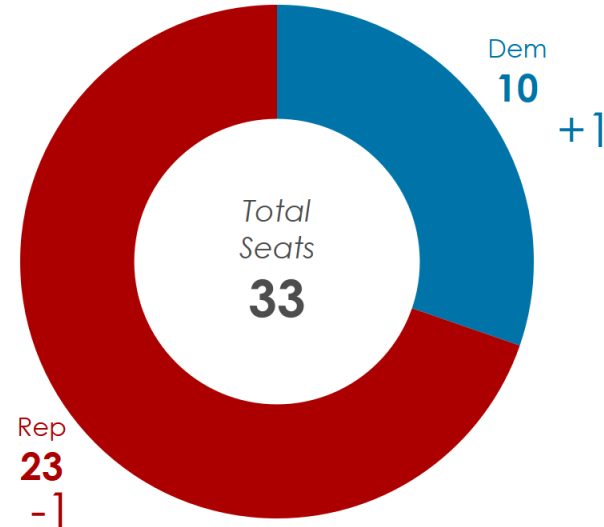
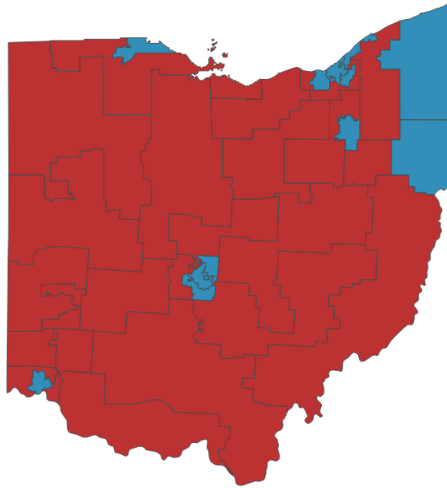
Five member nonpartisan commission appointed for five-year terms

Commissioner	Term Ends
Chair Asim Haque	2021
Thomas Johnson	2019
Lawrence K. Friedeman	2020
Daniel R. Conway	2022
M. Beth Trombold	2023

Ohio

Senate Makeup (post-election)

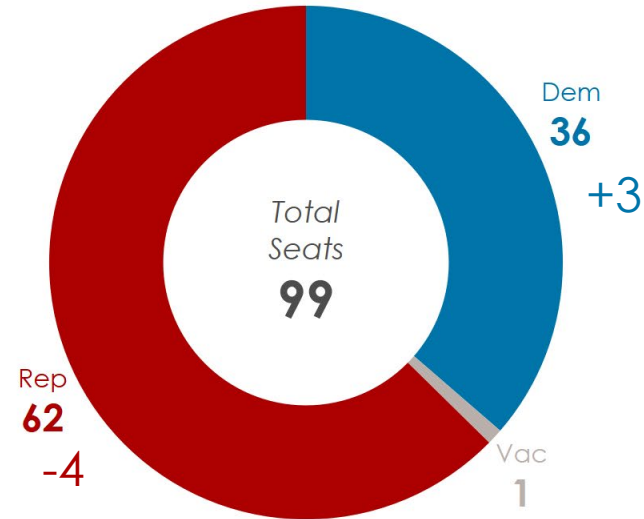
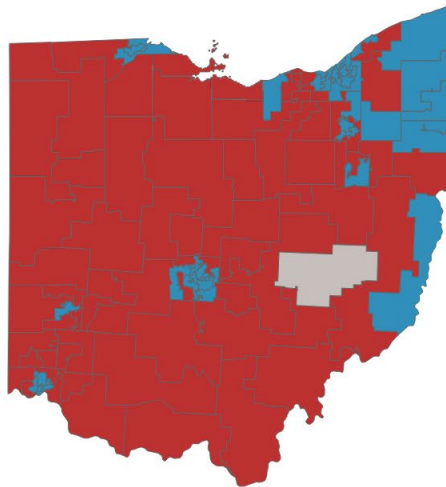
Ohio Senate Makeup - 2019



Ohio

House Makeup (post-election)

Ohio House Makeup - 2019



- Democrats gained 3 seats in House and 1 in Senate
- Supermajority maintained by Republicans
- House-97 (R) was appointed to fill vacant Senate-20 post-election; vacancy to be filled by House Republicans

- Major EE defense state
- Need to educate new actors on cost-effective benefits of EE and limit trade-offs of EE in a larger legislative package
- PowerForward process continues through Collaborative stakeholder meetings and two working groups:
 - Distribution System Planning Workgroup (PWG)
 - Data and Modern Grid Workgroup (DWG)

South Dakota

South Dakota

Governor

Governor-Elect Kristi Noem (R)

- Currently serving in U.S. House since 2006
- Supports an “all-of-the-above” energy solution
- Supported the Keystone XL pipeline



South Dakota

Commissioners

Three member commission elected for six-year terms

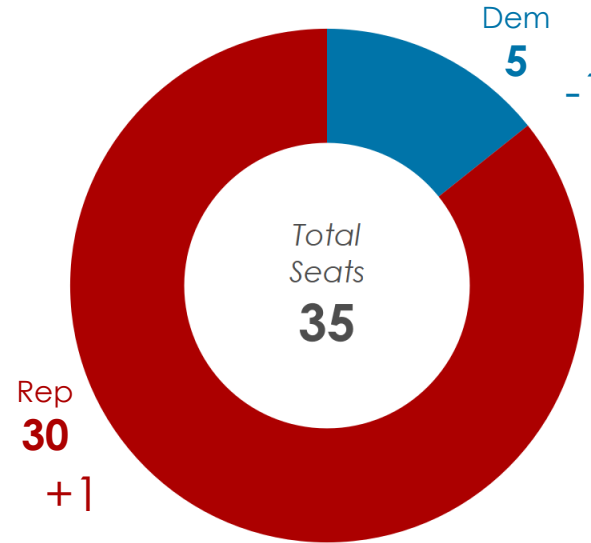
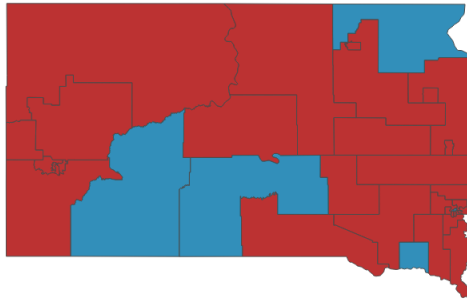
Commissioner	Party	Term Ends
Chair Kristine Fiegen*	R	2025
Vice Chair Gary Hanson	R	2021
Chris Nelson	R	2023

*Chair Kristine Fiegen won reelection against Democrat Wayne Frederick

South Dakota

Senate Makeup (post-election)

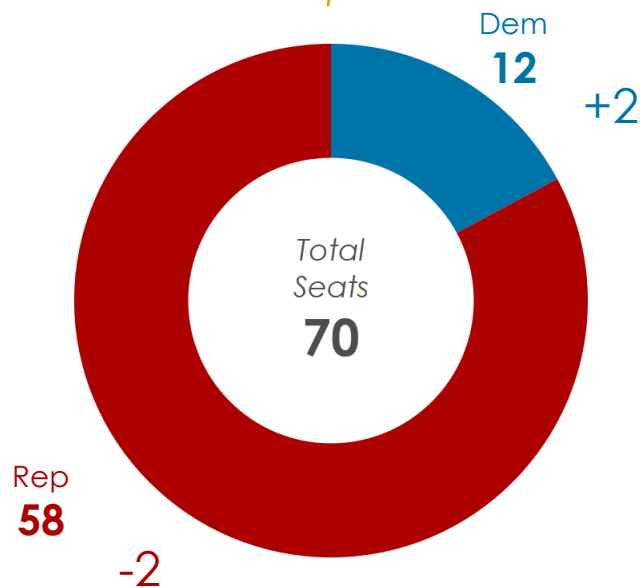
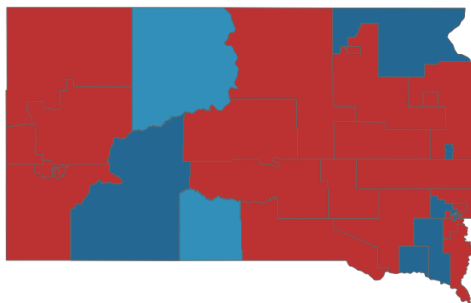
South Dakota Senate Makeup - 2019



South Dakota

House Makeup (post-election)

South Dakota House Makeup - 2019



South Dakota *Legislature*

- Democrats gained 2 seats in House
- Republicans gained 1 seat in Senate
- Three House districts still have potential recounts
- Republicans will retain supermajority

Wisconsin



Wisconsin
Governor

Governor-Elect Tony Evers (D)

- Newly elected in 2018
- Defeated incumbent Scott Walker
- Campaign platform included economic development and clean energy



Wisconsin *Commissioners*

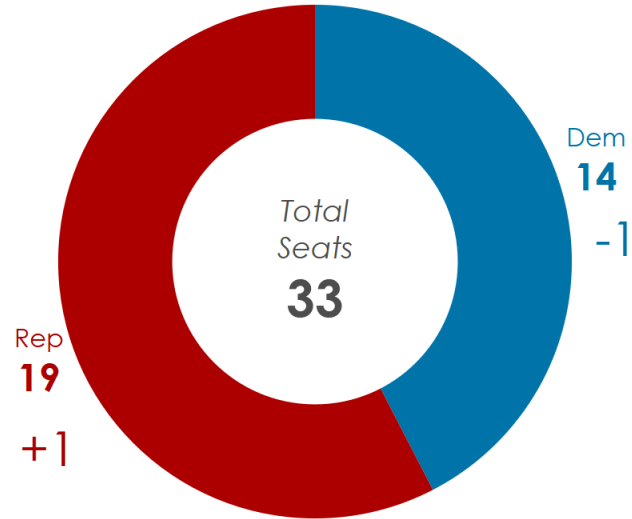
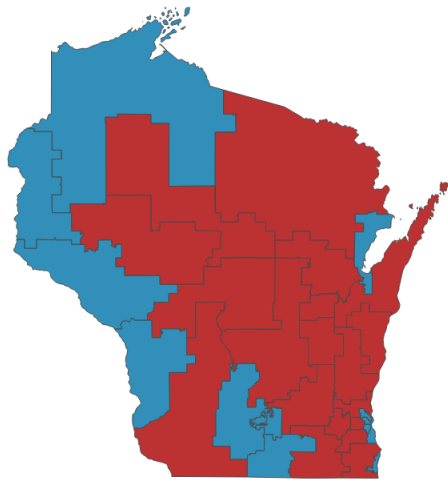
Three member nonpartisan commission appointed for six-year terms

Commissioner	Term Ends
Chair Lon E. Roberts	2023
Mike Huebsch	2021
Rich Zipperer	2024

Wisconsin

Senate Makeup (post-election)

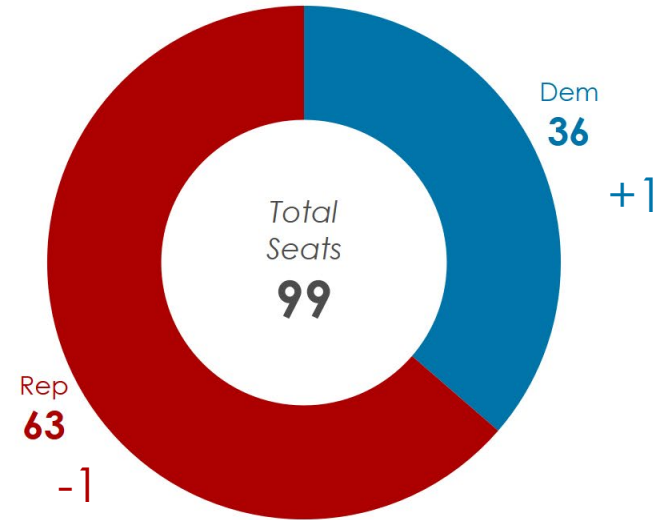
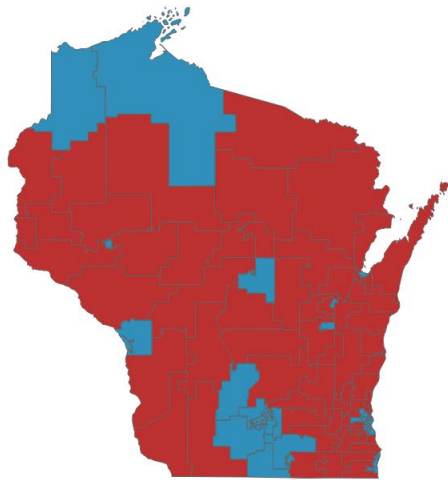
Wisconsin Senate Makeup - 2019



Wisconsin

Assembly Makeup (post-election)

Wisconsin Assembly Makeup - 2019



- Republicans gained 1 seat in Assembly and lost 1 in Senate
- 17 out of 33 Senate seats were up for election
- A few seats shy of becoming a Republican supermajority in both the Assembly and Senate

Outlook for Energy Efficiency

- New appointment to the PSC gives an opportunity to defend the Focus on Energy budget
- Changes to WI's energy policy will likely come from executive branch or through commission activity
- MEEA will work to maintain EE priorities with the Evers administration
- WI should consider updating its residential energy code, which is currently the 2009 IECC

Q&A

Submit questions via the question box
in GoToWebinar

Thank you!

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