

# Healthy Students, Promising Futures Learning Collaborative

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Conference of Governors The White House, 1908

*Who We Are*

## Over **100** years of serving our nation's governors



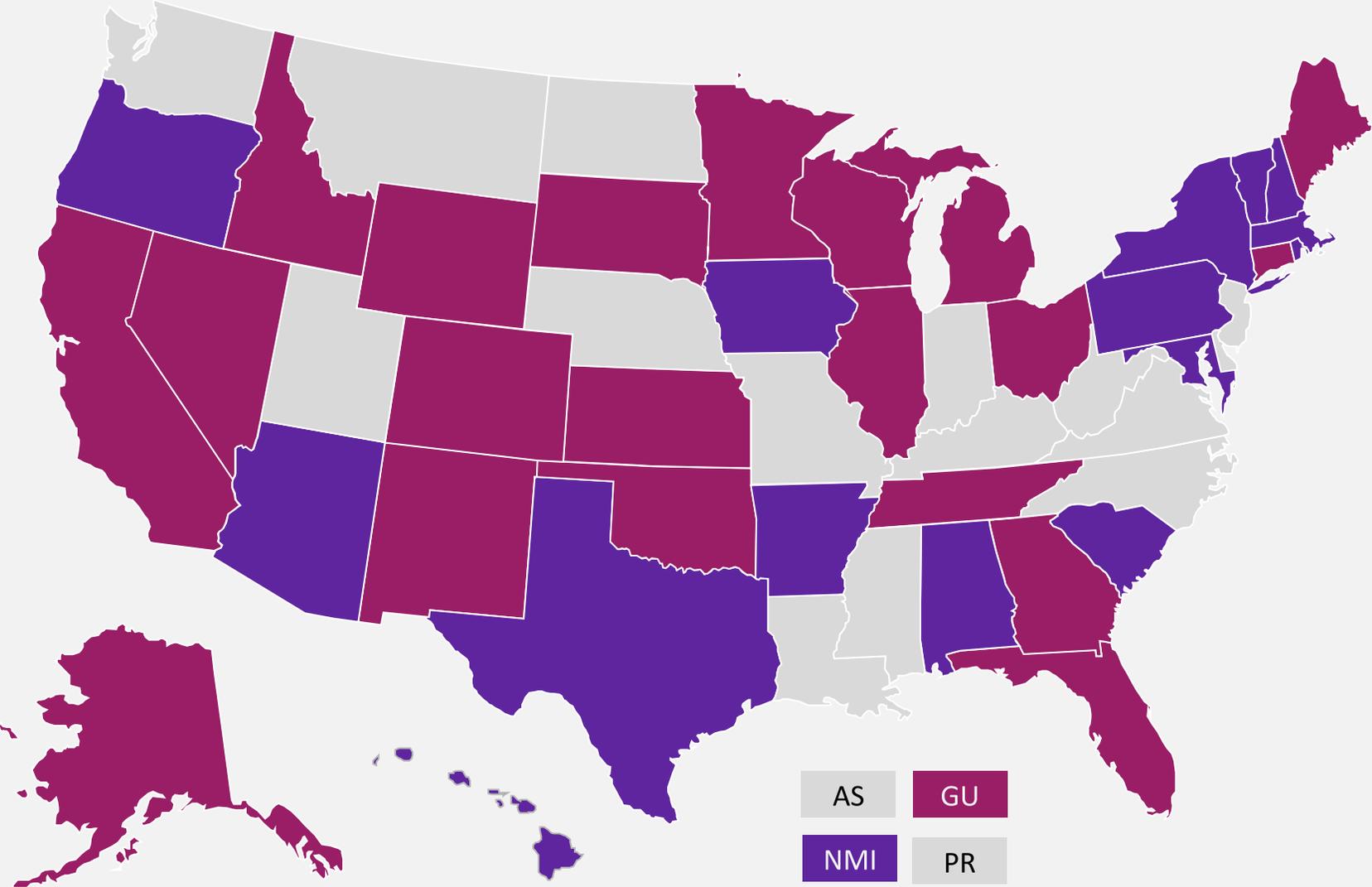
National Governors Association (NGA) is the bipartisan organization of the nation's governors. Through NGA, governors share best practices, speak with a collective voice on national policy and develop innovative solutions that improve state government and support the principles of federalism.



# Gubernatorial Election Results

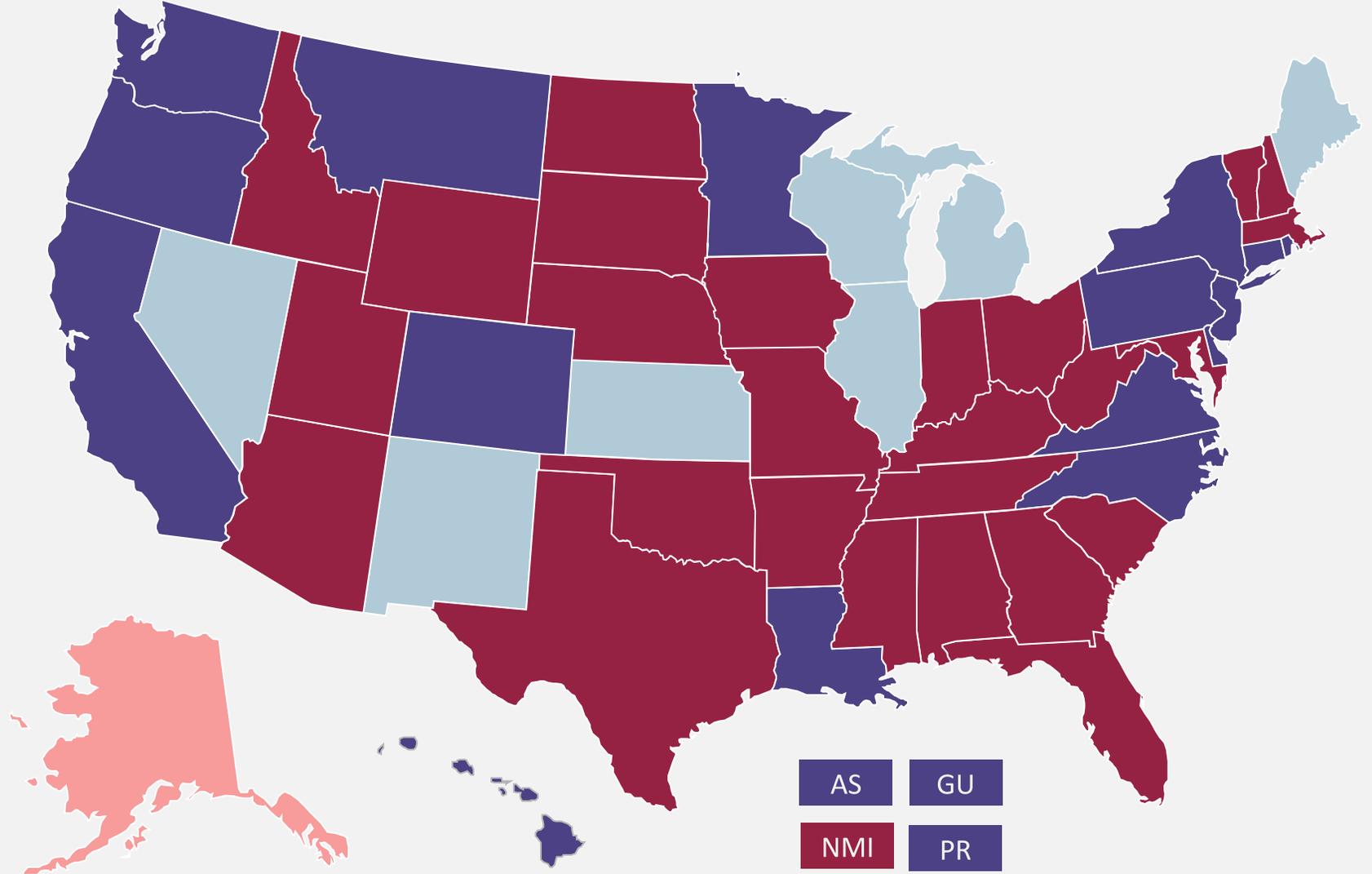
There were 39 gubernatorial elections in 2018, with 20 Incumbent Races and 19 Open Races

- Incumbent won
- New governor



# Gubernatorial Party Breakdown

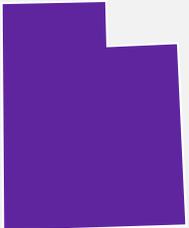
- Democrat
- Flipped Democrat
- Republican
- Flipped Republican



# Medicaid Expansion



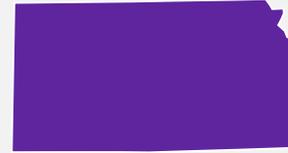
Idaho passed a Medicaid expansion ballot measure. Medicaid would be expanded to include people younger than 65 with income at or below 133 percent of the federal poverty level who are not already eligible for other state insurance coverage.



Utah passed a Medicaid expansion ballot measure. Medicaid would be expanded to include people younger than 65 with incomes at or below 138 percent of the federal poverty line. The state sales tax would be increased to 4.85 percent from 4.7 percent to finance the expansion.



Nebraska passed a Medicaid expansion ballot measure. Expands Medicaid coverage under the Affordable Care Act, including individuals 18-64 whose income is 138% or below the federal poverty line who aren't eligible for other state insurance coverage. Requires state to accept federal funds.

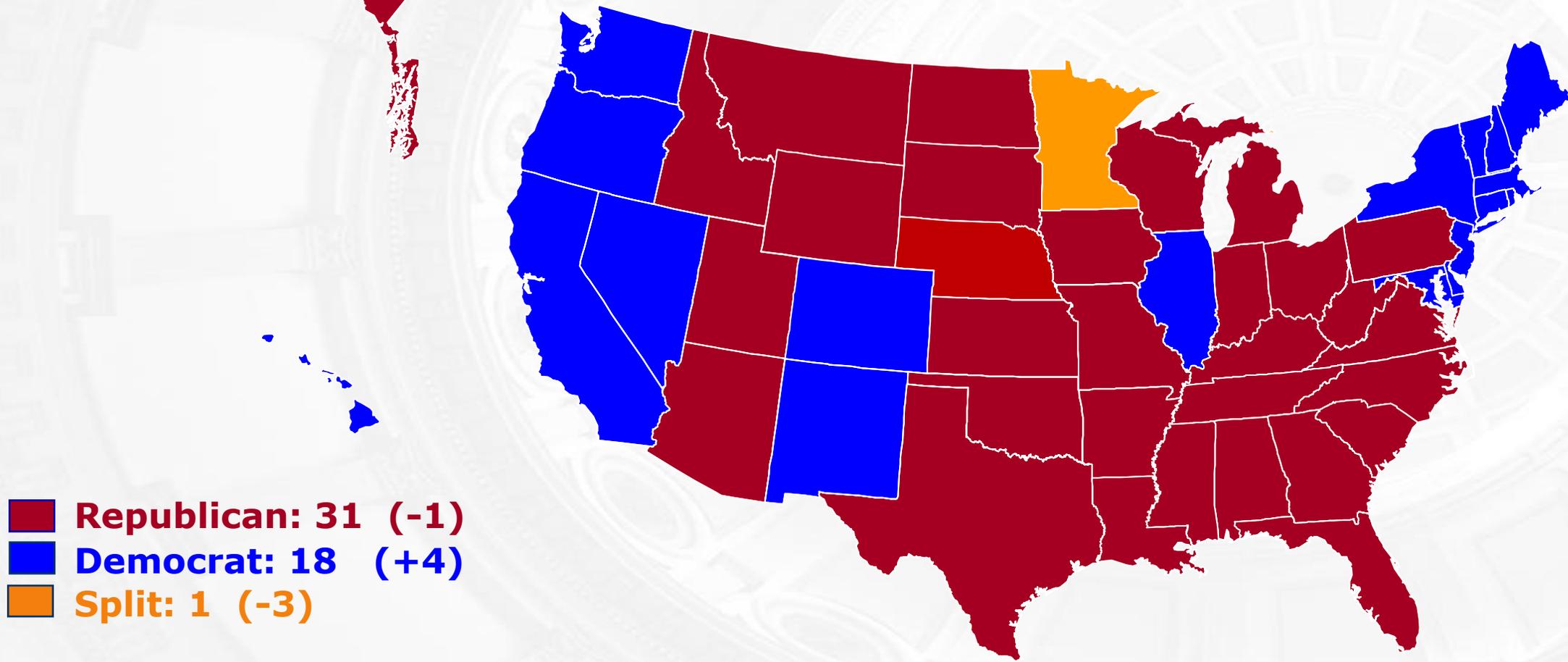


Kansas elected Democrat, Laura Kelly, who has vowed to expand Medicaid in the state. Previously, Medicaid expansion was vetoed by the governor.



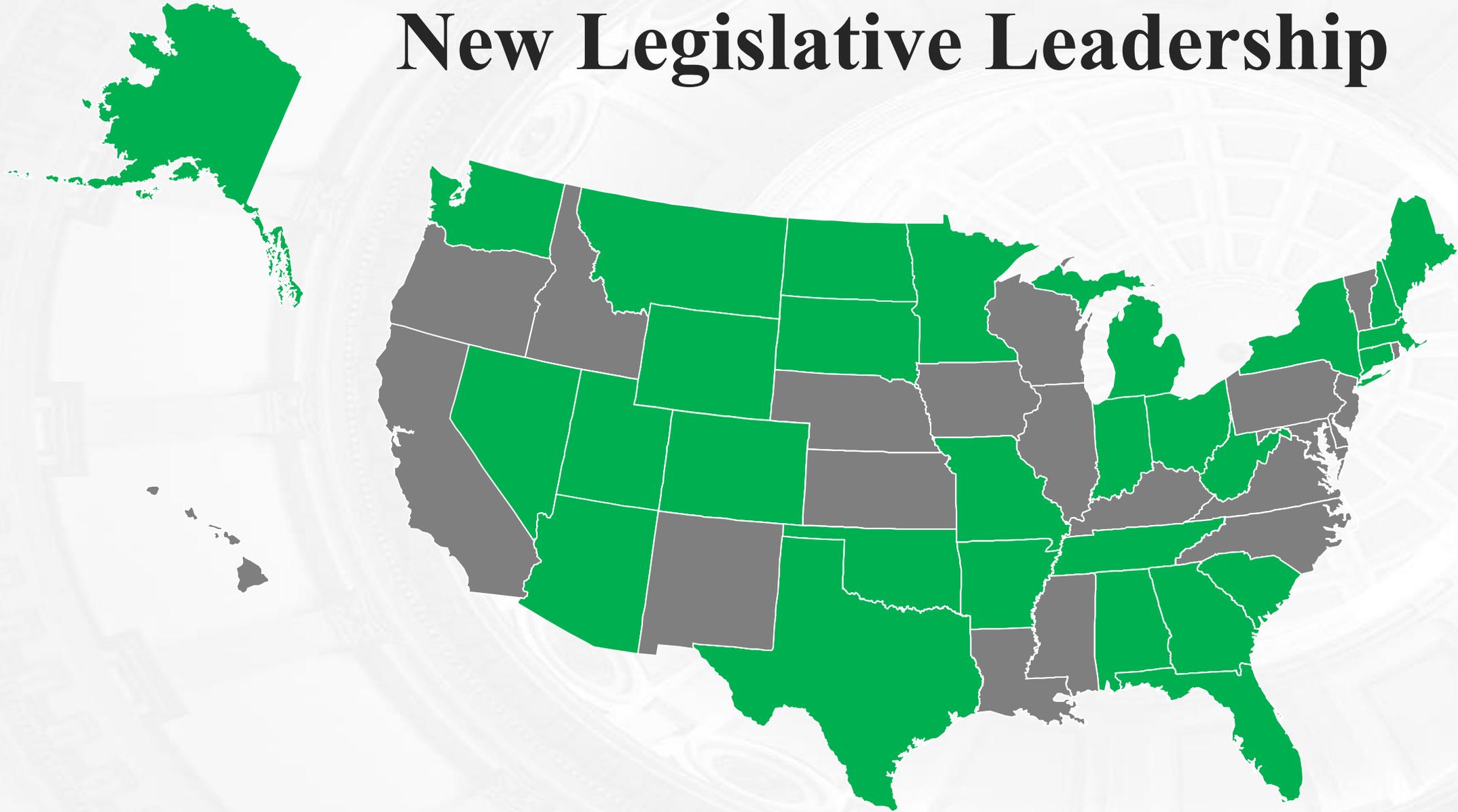
Maine elected Democrat, Janet Mills. She has pledged to implement Medicaid expansion, which was approved by voters last year.

# State Legislatures 2019 Post-Election



**Republican: 31 (-1)**  
**Democrat: 18 (+4)**  
**Split: 1 (-3)**

# New Legislative Leadership



# Influencing a New Governor's Agenda and Collaborating Effectively

- ✓ **UNDERSTAND POLITICAL CONSIDERATIONS**  
Be mindful of the current political climate around a given issue and the governor's election timeline, as well as which political parties control the executive and legislative branches.
- ✓ **CONNECT WITH THE RIGHT STATE LEADERS**  
Understand the roles of key state leaders, like the governor's health policy advisor and agency heads, and be cognizant of their unique goals.
- ✓ **TAILOR YOUR APPROACH**  
Know how a state may be uniquely impacted by an issue and consider what will resonate most with state leaders.
- ✓ **ENGAGE KEY STAKEHOLDERS**  
Seek out and incorporate key stakeholders into the strategy and communication process as early as possible. Strong stakeholder engagement is helpful in maintaining visibility and creating meaningful, sustainable change.

# Priorities at the Center

## Jobs and Economy

- Workforce

## Education

- Early education
- Social-emotional learning

## Health care

- Cost and quality
- Infant and maternal mortality

## Opioids and Substance Abuse

## School safety

## Social determinants of health

- **cross-sector strategies**
  - Whole person care
  - Human-centered design
  - Multi-generation approaches
- Adverse Childhood Experiences/Trauma-informed
- Opportunity youth/disconnected youth

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