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By Alan Greenspan and Adrian Wooldridge

Traces American history through the lens of capitalism and its influence on the development of the United States, as interpreted by Alan Greenspan, former chair of the U.S. Federal Reserve, and Adrian Wooldridge, the *Economist's* political editor. Employs three organizing themes in considering economic history: productivity, creative destruction (displacing previously productive assets and their associated jobs with newer technologies and their jobs), and politics. Argues that entitlement and financial system reforms are necessary to restore America's "fading dynamism."

Penguin Press, 2018, 2018. 450 pages.

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By Allan J. Lichtman

Delves into the history and politics of the vote in America from the drafting of the Constitution to present day. Argues that when the Founding Fathers gave control over elections to individual states, they made a critical error that resulted in restrictive consequences for minorities, women, and democracy throughout American history. Addresses voting rights, voter ID laws, voter purges, gerrymandering, and more.

Harvard University Press, 2018. 257 pages.

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3. The Injustice Never Leaves You: Anti-Mexican Violence in Texas

By Monica Muñoz Martínez

Sheds light on the neglected history of anti-Mexican violence in the 1910s Texas-Mexico borderlands. Describes specific incidents and provides insight into collaboration among authorities and vigilantes to incite violence and cover up crimes. Includes an examination of [Rep. José T. Canales'](#) 1919 efforts to bring criminal charges against several Texas Rangers for their mistreatment of Mexican Americans. Calls for continued efforts to recover histories of racial violence and for a public reckoning with violence.

Harvard University Press, 2018. 300 pages.

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4. Managed Migrations: Growers, Farmworkers, and Border Enforcement in the Twentieth Century

By Cristina Salinas

Examines the relationship between immigration laws/policies and agricultural laborers and farmers in Texas during the 1940s and 1950s. Explores how the migration of Mexican workers was handled on a local level by the border patrol, farm owners, and Mexicans working the fields. Argues that these groups, not necessarily the federal government, set up the framework for border enforcement policies.

University of Texas Press, 2018. 208 pages.

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5. Interim Report: 2017 Hurricane Harvey Response to the 86th Legislature

By Senate Committee on Agriculture, Water & Rural Affairs

Highlights the committee's investigative work on interim charges relating to flood planning and response. Addresses the devastation of Hurricane Harvey, jurisdictional challenges during flooding events, funding for flood mitigation and prevention projects, and the creation of a proactive state flood plan. Includes committee testimony and policy recommendations.

Senate Committee on Agriculture, Water & Rural Affairs, 2018. 140 pages.

Online at: <https://lrl.texas.gov/scanned/interim/85/Ag86r.pdf>

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6. Texas Considers Policy Responses to Opioid Crisis

By House Research Organization

Analyzes the current status of opioid abuse and addiction in the country, emphasizing the increase in opioid-related overdose deaths. Summarizes basic facts on current treatments, interventions, and prevention strategies. Reviews policies that may be considered by lawmakers in the 86th Legislature to aid in the reduction of opioid-related misuse, overdoses, and deaths.

House Research Organization, 2018. 11 pages.

Online at: <https://hro.house.texas.gov/pdf/focus/opioids.pdf>

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7. U.S. Immigration: A Primer for State Policy Makers

By Anne Morse

Presents an overview of current immigration and refugee policy in the United States. Examines

the role of states and developments in state immigration legislation. Concludes with a discussion of the fiscal and economic impact of immigration. Includes a list of federal actions on immigration for 2017-2018.

National Conference of State Legislatures, 2018. 32 pages.

Online at:

http://www.ncsl.org/Portals/1/Documents/immig/2018_Immigration_Primer_32492.pdf

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