

The Ballpark podcast Episode 2.2: Do state governments even matter?

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This episode, we're looking into an often overlooked level of American policy-making: state governments. While the federal government is gripped by gridlock, the states surprisingly continue to pump out public policy. What makes these smaller governments work so efficiently? And do these laboratories of democracy really work for everyone?

This episode features [Jamie Monogan](#), Assistant professor in the Department of Political Science at the University of Georgia and [Chris Gilson](#), Managing Editor of USAPP.

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