News From The States COUNTDOWN '24

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President Joe Biden and former President Donald Trump battled for the support of auto workers in Detroit this past week, as <u>more than 25,000 United Auto Workers strike</u> against the Detroit Three auto manufacturers Ford, General Motors and Stellantis.

- Biden made a <u>historic visit to a picket line</u> in Belleville, thought to be the first time in modern history that a sitting president has visited an active strike.
- The next day, Trump spoke at Drake Enterprises, a non-union automotive parts manufacturer in Clinton Township where <u>he told UAW leaders</u> they would not have a union if they fail to endorse him in the 2024 presidential election.
- UAW President Shawn Fain <u>said he would not meet with Trump</u> during the former president's visit, saying Trump does not have "any bit of care about what our workers stand for." The union has not made an endorsement for the 2024 presidential election.

States Newsroom outlets are covering the UAW strikes in Michigan, Wisconsin, Pennsylvania and Kansas: <u>Read more here.</u>

TOP IMPACT What to read this week

Trump blasts DeSantis, other rivals in Ottumwa



(Photo by Jay Waagmeester for Iowa Capital Dispatch)

Trump, rallying supporters in Ottumwa, focused on other 2024 presidential candidates, especially Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis, for much of his time on stage.

Trump took repetitive jabs at the Florida governor, his only opponent polling in the double digits, saying "he's like a really injured falling bird," during the first stop on his October tour around lowa. | <u>lowa Capital Dispatch</u>

Price tag for post-election audits could be larger than lawmaker expectations



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The cost to conduct post-election audits in South Dakota could vastly exceed an estimate calculated for lawmakers earlier this year, according to a survey of county auditors. Or it won't; neither the Secretary of State's Office nor county auditors are sure.

South Dakota's Board of Elections signed off this week on most of the rules counties will use to spot-check results in primary and general elections for accuracy. At least one significant question remains, however: What will it cost the state to perform the now-mandatory audits? | <u>South</u> <u>Dakota Searchlight</u>



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- GOP presidential hopefuls tear into each other and absent Trump at second debate | <u>News from the States</u>
- Nikki Haley rallies against 2024 rival Vivek
 Ramaswamy's voting age proposal | <u>lowa Capital</u>
 <u>Dispatch</u>
- Democrats blast DeSantis for blowing off Spanish TV
 network after GOP debate | <u>Florida Phoenix</u>
- Former Arkansas governor promises to continue campaign after missing GOP debate | <u>Arkansas</u> <u>Advocate</u>

Justice

- Trump arrives in court to face \$250 million trial for New York business fraud | Politico
- GOP witnesses at Biden impeachment hearing see insufficient evidence of wrongdoing so far | <u>News from the States</u>
- Fulton 19 recap: Trump sticks with Fulton venue, first defendant accepts a plea agreement, and more | <u>Georgia Recorder</u>
- What to expect from Hunter Biden's Delaware court hearing Tuesday over felony gun case | <u>Delaware Online</u>
- Supreme Court declines to consider longshot bid to disqualify Trump from running for president | <u>CNN</u>
- Citing the 14th amendment, group files lawsuit filed to keep Trump off Michigan 2024
 ballot | <u>Michigan Advance</u>

Voting

- Attorneys spar over Georgia's voting law after federal judge temporarily blocks some provisions | <u>Georgia Recorder</u>
- Think tank demands release of 'secret' Kansas voter registration deal. It was readily available. | <u>Kansas Reflector</u>
- Post-election audit rules spark debate on voter intent | <u>South Dakota Searchlight</u>

• 2023 elections bring new scrutiny of Virginia's 'sore loser' rule | Virginia Mercury

Redistricting

- NC voters demand an end to gerrymandering at hearing on new election districts | <u>NC</u> <u>Newsline</u>
- Alabama redistricting: Special master submits three proposed congressional maps |
 <u>Alabama Reflector</u>
- 5th Circuit cancels redrawing of Louisiana's congressional district map | Louisiana
 <u>Illuminator</u>

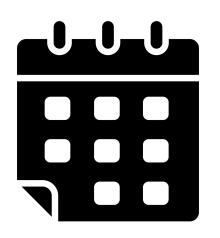
Primaries

- New Hampshire primary: Yard signs out. Social media in. Future? Up for debate. | <u>New</u>
 <u>Hampshire Bulletin</u>
- Idaho House and Senate still at odds over solution to presidential primary mess |
 Idaho Capital Sun
- State plans for presidential primary, says GOP's caucus is GOP's business | <u>Nevada</u> <u>Current</u>

Election workers

- 98% of Arizonans will have new elections officials in 2024, report finds | Arizona Mirror
- Nevada's exodus of election officials took with them 104 years of experience, says report | <u>Nevada Current</u>
- A third of Massachusetts cities, towns have had change in top election official since 2020 | <u>Boston Herald</u>
- What turnover of election officials means for the 2024 cycle | <u>NPR</u>

COMING UP Calendar of events



continue his Iowa swing, <u>holding events</u> in Waterloo and Cedar Rapids.

- Oct. 15, 2023, NATIONWIDE | Quarterly reports due date for federal campaign finance disclosures.
- Oct. 30, 2023, COLORADO | The trial date set for a lawsuit in which <u>plaintiffs are suing to block</u> Trump from the 2024 ballot in Colorado.

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