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Economic Development

Gov. Scott Uses Air Show To Announce Aerospace Jobs ([CBS](#))- A global aerospace company will provide hundreds of jobs in Florida, Gov. Rick Scott announced during an air show outside London on Monday. Expansion plans by Thales USA will bring 500 jobs to Orlando and Brevard County, along with more than \$20 million in new construction to those communities, an announcement from the governor's office said. The decision by Thales also comes with up to \$2.5 million in state and local incentives. "We met with Thales at the Paris Air Show last year, and it's great to make this exciting announcement today in London," Scott said in a prepared statement. Scott is heading an Enterprise Florida trade mission to the Farnborough International Air Show.

Amazon Set To Deliver 1,000 Jobs To Kansas City, Kansas ([KCUR](#))- Amazon is building another huge facility in the Kansas City area, this one in Kansas City, Kansas, and it will bring more than 1,000 new jobs to an underutilized part of Wyandotte County. Those jobs will start above minimum wage, come with benefits, and steep community college tuition discounts. They'll be at a new facility south of I-70 near the Turner Diagonal, which is good news to Kansas Governor Sam Brownback. "I'm delighted too to see that it's in that area," says Brownback. "We've had a lot of growth taking place out at the Legends. This is a new area by and large for us to see growth taking place, and we want to see more happen in this area."

(Nevada) More stadium sites up for review by special tourism panel ([Las Vegas Review-Journal](#))- At a special tourism infrastructure meeting intended to narrow the field of prospective stadium sites, the list of potential locations instead grew on Monday. The project's estimated cost increased as well, to as much as \$2.1 billion, which could lead to the creation of an expanded special tax improvement district to pay for the dome. As a result, the Southern Nevada Tourism Infrastructure Committee will ask Gov. Brian Sandoval for an additional two months to consider the stadium plans, Chairman Steve Hill said Monday.

Public Safety

Governor Pence hits the streets of Indianapolis to talk about lowering crime ([Fox 59](#))- Gov. Mike Pence zipped up his Indianapolis Ten Point Coalition vest and hit the streets of a northwest side neighborhood Monday night, walking side-by-side with Ten Point Coalition volunteers for the first time. Pence talked face-to-face with the people who live in the neighborhood, asking them about the issues they face and the improvements they have noticed from Ten Point's community patrols. The group says they have helped areas including Butler Tarkington go nine months without a homicide. "I think that this is a model program where people have poured themselves into the lives of these communities and made real change," said Pence. Ten Point Coalition has changed their method of community patrols several times in the past, as they adjust to new crime trends in the area. The group tells Pence that working with police, neighbors, local businesses and churches has proven to be most successful.

Mass. bill would extend hate-crime protections to police officers ([Boston Globe](#))- Two Massachusetts legislators filed a bill Monday that would extend the state's hate-crime protections to police officers—a response, they said, to last week's attack in Dallas. Last month, Louisiana became the first state to add law enforcement and first responders to the list of those protected under hate crime statutes, which create special penalties for those who target others because of bigotry or prejudice.

McCrory signs bill restricting view of police camera recordings ([News & Observer](#))- Gov. Pat McCrory signed controversial legislation Monday regulating the release of recordings from police body and dashboard cameras. There were growing calls for McCrory to veto the legislation because it makes it difficult for the public – including people involved in a recorded police action – to see it. But the Republican governor said the law will strike a balance between improving public trust in the police and respecting the rights of officers. The law allows people who are recorded, or their representatives, to see footage if law enforcement agencies agree. The police chief or sheriff would decide whether to grant access. The law

enforcement agency can consider a number of factors in making the decision, including whether disclosure may harm someone's reputation or jeopardize someone's safety, or if confidentiality is "necessary to protect either an active or inactive internal or criminal investigation or potential internal or criminal investigation."

Good Government

Gov calls special session to crack down on drones over fires, land a Utah Facebook center ([Salt Lake Tribune](#))- Gov. Gary Herbert is calling lawmakers into a special session Wednesday to pass emergency legislation to punish drone pilots flying over wildfires, to spend \$10 million to build a stadium at the Utah Fairpark and to offer tax incentives to try to lure a massive Facebook data center to Utah. This past weekend, drone traffic hampered firefighting efforts on the Saddle Fire in southwestern Utah, grounding air tankers until the airspace was cleared to avoid collisions. The Legislature passed a law making it illegal to fly in areas restricted due to firefighting efforts, but the legislation to be considered this week will stiffen the penalties and possibly allow the fire commander to take down drones in the area.

Transportation

Gov. Bruce Rauner: Public-Private partnership will lead to bridge at Houbolt Road in Joliet ([The Herald-News](#))- Gov. Bruce Rauner announced Monday a public-private partnership to build a bridge over the Des Plaines River at Houbolt Road in Joliet to facilitate traffic in and out of the CenterPoint Intermodal Center. Local officials for years have urged construction of the bridge, which has become a more urgent need as more companies, including Amazon.com and Mars candy, have set up operations on the south end of Joliet. An estimated 11,000 vehicles per day are expected to use the bridge initially, including more than 6,600 trucks, according to the state. The agreement is the result of the teamwork between the Illinois Department of Transportation, CenterPoint, the City of Joliet and Will County, according to a news release from the state.

Your next Utah driver license will be more secure, thanks to high-tech makeover ([Salt Lake Tribune](#))- For the first time in a decade, Utah has overhauled the design of its driver licenses — and Gov. Gary Herbert promoted many of their new high-tech security measures Monday as he renewed his own permit. But the new cards still can't guarantee a good driver-license picture. After Herbert's new photo was snapped, the employee proclaimed it perfect. After the governor took a peek, he said, "You're not supposed to lie." But he was happy to announce, "We'll have more security with our driver's license cards than ever before." In fact, they have more than two dozen security features built into various layers of the cards to prevent counterfeiting, altering or copying, said Jenny Openshaw, vice president of MorphoTrust USA, the company that makes the licenses.

House sends short-term FAA bill to Senate as clock ticks down ([The Hill](#))- The House swiftly passed a short-term extension of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) on Monday, teeing up a vote for the Senate before the agency's legal authority expires this week. By voice vote, lawmakers advanced legislation that would authorize FAA programs at current funding levels through September 2017. The agency's legal authority expires on July 15. "Without this extension, the FAA programs will face a shutdown next week," Rep. Bill Shuster (R-Pa.), chairman of the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, said on the House floor. "Employees will be furloughed, airport projects will come to a halt and about \$40 million a day in trust revenue will go uncollected." Committee leaders agreed to attach a number of permanent policy additions to the bill in an effort to bolster aviation security, improve drone use and enhance consumer protections.

Energy and Environment

Gov. Dugaard Activates Drought Task Force ([SDPB](#))- With parts of South Dakota under severe drought conditions, and the rest of the state under abnormally dry conditions, Governor Dennis Dugaard is calling together the state's drought task force. The group held their first meeting on Monday. The state Drought Task Force monitors drought conditions across South Dakota. Right now parts of West River and the northeastern corner of the state are in severe drought and part of the Black Hills is in an exceptional drought. Officials with the drought task force can focus state resources on ag and cattle producers, as well as fire and water organizations who're adversely impacted by dry conditions.

White House threatens to veto EPA, Interior spending bill ([The Hill](#))- The Obama administration is threatening to veto a 2017 spending bill for the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and Interior Department. The House is set to consider a \$32.1 billion bill for the two departments and other programs this week. The legislation would cut spending for the departments by \$64 million from current spending levels and is \$1 billion less than what President Obama requested in his budget. The bill also contains policy riders designed to block administration rules on water, power plant emissions and coal mining. The White House, in a veto warning issued Monday night, said it objects to the spending levels and riders within the bill.