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2022 Outlook: Senate, House, and Governors Races. In this talk, Jessica will provide a detailed look at the most important races that will decide the balance of power in Congress. With the House and Senate firmly in play in 2022, she will explain the multiple paths Republicans have to flip control and the issues that will drive the election. She will also take a look back how the 2020 elections and Democrats maintaining a narrow majority of the House and flipping the Senate is instructive for the 2022 races. And with the continued spotlight on governors regarding the economy, social issues, and their handling of the Covid-19 pandemic, Jessica will explain how these issues may impact the 2022 gubernatorial elections, and could put a priority on governing experience in future elections.

Historical Changes in Partisanship and Voter Behavior. In this presentation, Jessica will show how partisanship and ticket-splitting has decreased over the past few decades and the impact that has had on elections and governance. She will also explore how sitting senators now often struggle to outperform their presidential party's nominee, which wasn't the case even a few election cycles ago.

Off to the Political Races: A Preview of the Next Presidential Election. Jessica Taylor draws from her years of experience covering pivotal elections and breaking news from the White House, Congress, and statewide elections to provide a nonpartisan outlook of the next Presidential election. Looking forward to the upcoming race, she will explore which states will be pivotal in the Electoral college, trends and polling we're seeing in each, and the candidates expected to throw their names in the hat for the presidency.