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NEWS ROUNDUP:

- 75% of the \$306 million spent on state political campaigns in Florida last year went to political committees, which fewer disclosure requirements, instead of candidates. (The Miami Herald)
- In her State of the State address on January 16, South Carolina Governor Nikki Haley cited the Palmetto state's low grades in State Integrity Investigation while calling for major reforms. (Global Integrity)
- Hadithi, a new platform for hosting open access academic content is scheduled to launch on January 24th. The platform is Kenya, but will aggregate articles from research institutions worldwide. (Global Voices)
- The White House is partnering with Random Hacks of Kindness, Code for America, Innovation Endeavors, and several Federal agencies to host a National Day of Civic Hacking. The day of hacking will take place on June 1-2 and there are currently events planned for 27 cities. (Tech President)
- Former Senator Ben Nelson became the latest recently retired lawmaker to settle into a new office on K Street with the announcement that he will join public affair firm Agenda as a senior adviser. (Politico)
- The US Chamber of Commerce spent more than \$100 million on lobbying in 2012, allowing the group to maintain its throne as the highest spending interest group in Washington. (Roll Call)

RELEVANT BILLS INTRODUCED:

- **None.**

HAPPENING TODAY 1/23:

- **Campaign Finance after *Citizens United*: What happened? What now?** Cato Institute. 9:00 am - 12:30 pm. 1000 Massachusetts Ave, NW, Washington, DC 20001.