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The Midterm Election Could Reshape the Muni Bond Market. Here's What Investors Need to Know.

Key Points

- The outcome of the 2026 election could affect munis through state taxes and new bond supply.
- The makeup of the next Congress may also have repercussions, as lawmakers tackle fiscal and policy issues.
- Experts believe munis now offer investors an attractive opportunity.

The outcome of Tuesday's election is expected to have broad implications across the market, including municipal bonds.

The spotlight has been on the battle for congressional control and whether Democrats will wrest the House of Representatives, the Senate or both from Republicans. But for the muni market, what happens at the state level could have bigger repercussions — at least in the near term.

There is an array of initiatives on ballots around the nation that could change tax laws and add to bond supply. Taxes matter to muni investors since the income received is free of federal tax, as well as state tax if the holder lives in the state where the bond is issued.

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