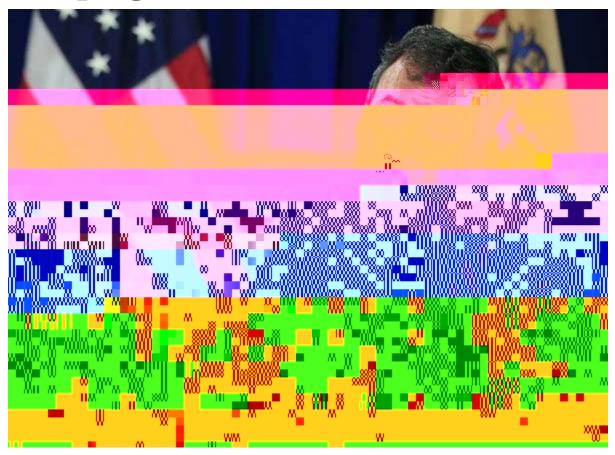
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Christie is a key figure in legislative campaigns



Gov. Christie's "popularity bodes well for Republicans," said Bill Layton, Burlco's GOP chairman. (MEL EVANS / AP)

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Republicans, trying to make inroads in the Democratic-controlled Legislature, will align themselves as closely as possible with the popular governor and hope they can ride his coattails to victory, political strategists and observers say.



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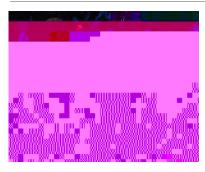
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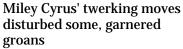
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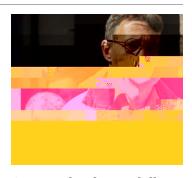
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