Record Nr. UNINA9910819403103321 City-county consolidation: promises made, promises kept? // Suzanne **Titolo** M. Leland and Kurt Thurmaier, editors Pubbl/distr/stampa Washington D.C.,: Georgetown University Press, 2010 **ISBN** 1-58901-622-X Edizione [1st ed.] 1 online resource (322 pages): illustrations, maps Descrizione fisica American governance and public policy series Collana LelandSuzanne M. <1971-> Altri autori (Persone) ThurmaierKurt M. <1957-> Disciplina 320.8/590973 Soggetti Metropolitan government - United States Local government - United States Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto City-County Consolidation; Chapter 1: A Research Design for Evaluating Consolidation Performance; Chapter 2: An Assessment of the City-County Consolidation of Nashville and Davidson County, Tennessee: Chapter 3: Does Consolidation Make a Difference?: Chapter 4: What Difference Does City-County Consolidation Make?; Chapter 5: City-County Consolidation; Chapter 6: "The Urge to Merge"; Chapter 7: From Company Town to Consolidated Government; Chapter 8: The Case of Lynchburg and Moore County, Tennessee, Consolidation; Chapter 9: Unification Promises and Outcomes; Chapter 10: Improving the Efficiency and Effectiveness of Service Delivery in Local Government: Chapter 11: Promises Made, Promises Kept; Contributors; Index Although a frequently discussed reform, campaigns to merge a major Sommario/riassunto municipality and county to form a unified government fail to win voter approval eighty per cent of the time. One cause for the low success rate may be that little systematic analysis of consolidated governments has been done. In CityuCounty Consolidation, Suzanne Leland and Kurt Thurmaier compare nine cityucounty consolidationsuincorporating data from 10 years before and after each consolidationuto similar cities and counties that did not consolidate. Their groundbreaking study offers valuable insight into whether consolidation