variable_name	variable_label	additional description	data source
id	MP identifier		Rattinger, Hans et al. (2012): Candidate Campaign Survey, Survey and Structural Data (GLES 2009). GESIS Data Archive, Cologne. ZA5318 Data file Version 2.0.0, doi:10.4232/1.11443
local_bio	local biographical roots index	index which sums up the variables for *birthplace in district* , *education in district* and, *residence in district* to account for legislator's biographical roots in district ranging from 0 (not rooted) to 3 (heavily rooted).	Zittel, Thomas 2017: Project Individualized Representation and its Prerequisities.
local_pol	local political roots index	index which sums up the variables for *mayor in district* and *local legislator in district* to account for legislator's political roots in district ranging from 0 (no roots) to 2 (heavily rooted).	Zittel, Thomas 2017: Project Individualized Representation and its Prerequisities.
quest_n	number of questions		Zittel, Thomas 2017: Project Individualized Representation and its Prerequisities.
quest_n_geo_bkg	geo-referenced questions (bkg)	absolute number of semi-automatically coded questions with geographic reference using a district dictionary based on data from the German federal agency for cartography and geodesy (BKG). BKG-data consists of spatial bounding boxes.	Zittel, Thomas 2017: Project Individualized Representation and its Prerequisities.
quest_oral_n_geo_bkg	geo-referenced oral questions (bkg)	absolute number of semi-automatically coded oral questions with geographic reference using a district dictionary based on data from the German federal agency for cartography and geodesy (BKG). BKG-data consists of spatial bounding boxes. Counted without urgent oral questions.	Zittel, Thomas 2017: Project Individualized Representation and its Prerequisities.
quest_writt_n_geo_bkg	geo-referenced written questions (bkg)	absolute number of semi-automatically coded written questions with geographic reference using a district dictionary based on data from the German federal agency for cartography and geodesy (BKG). BKG-data consists of spatial bounding boxes.	Zittel, Thomas 2017: Project Individualized Representation and its Prerequisities.
opposition	affiliation to parliamentary opposition	opposition in the 17th Bundestag formed by SPD, Left and Green parliamentary party groups.	Zittel, Thomas 2017: Project Individualized Representation and its Prerequisities.
party	party affiliation		Rattinger, Hans et al. (2012): Candidate Campaign Survey, Survey and Structural Data (GLES 2009). GESIS Data Archive, Cologne. ZA5318 Data file Version 2.0.0, doi:10.4232/1.11443
east	candidacy in eastern Germany	eastern Germany defined as Brandenburg, Berlin, Mecklenburg Western Pommerania, Saxony, Saxony-Anhalt, and Thuringia	Zittel, Thomas 2017: Project Individualized Representation and its Prerequisities.
volat_t1	volatility in first tier district results	electoral volatility of first tier results between 2005 and 2009 elections based on Pedersen (1979)	Zittel, Thomas 2017: Project Individualized Representation and its Prerequisities.
wkmandat	district mandate		Zittel, Thomas 2017: Project Individualized Representation and its Prerequisities.
marginality_abs	marginality of electoral result	absolute distance in percentage points between nominal vote share of legislator and share of district winner (for losers) or first loser (for winners)	Zittel, Thomas 2017: Project Individualized Representation and its Prerequisities.
C_marginality_abs	mean-centered marginality of electoral result	mean-centered absolute distance in percentage points between nominal vote share of legislator and share of district winner (for losers) or first loser (for winners)	Zittel, Thomas 2017: Project Individualized Representation and its Prerequisities.
seniority_log	logarithm of number of terms in the legislature		Zittel, Thomas 2017: Project Individualized Representation and its Prerequisities.