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("Executive Deference or Legislative Constraint? Senate Committees and the Exercise of Decentralized Authority over U.S. Executive Nominations")

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Data sources utilized

1. **Krause and Byers Data (12.17.2024).dta**

    a. We utilize data on 10,354 PAS nominations from the 100th through the 117th congresses from:

        i. Krause, George A., and Jason S. Byers. "Proponents, Caretakers, and the Dynamics of Administrative Leadership Turnover in US Executive Agencies." Political Research Quarterly 76, no. 4 (2023): 1707-1722.

        ii. Ostrander, Ian. "The logic of collective inaction: Senatorial delay in executive nominations." American Journal of Political Science 60, no. 4 (2016): 1063-1076. (Obtained March 17, 2020).

    b. This data is utilized in the following programs:

        i. Committee Delay.MANUSCRIPT.do

2. **Committee Delay.MANUSCRIPT RESULTS.12-23-2024.dta**

    a. This data contains an updated version of the Committee Krause and Byers Data (12.17.2024).dta file after variable creation occurred in Committee Delay.MANUSCRIPT.do

    b. This data is utilized in the following programs:

        i. Committee Delay.APPENDIX B.do

ii. Committee Delay.APPENDIX C.do

iii. Committee Delay.APPENDIX D.do

iv. Committee Delay.APPENDIX E.do

v. Committee Delay.APPENDIX F.do

vi. Committee Delay.APPENDIX G.do

vii. Committee Delay.APPENDIX H.do

viii. Committee Delay.ANCILLARY RESULTS.do

3. Data Codebook.pdf

a. This file corresponds to the codebook for the manuscript, "*Executive Deference or Legislative Constraint? Senate Committees and the Exercise of Decentralized Authority over U.S. Executive Nominations.*"

b. The codebook contains variables that are used with the Manuscript and Appendices program files.

PROGRAMS

1. We utilize the following Stata program files to conduct our analysis:

a. Committee Delay.MANUSCRIPT.do

i. This program file corresponds to all figures and models that are presented within the main manuscript.

b. Committee Delay.APPENDIX B.do

i. This program file corresponds to all figures and/or models that are presented within Appendix B.

c. **Committee Delay.APPENDIX C.do**

    i. This program file corresponds to all figures and/or models that are presented within Appendix C.

d. **Committee Delay.APPENDIX D.do**

    i. This program file corresponds to all figures and/or models that are presented within Appendix D.

e. **Committee Delay.APPENDIX E.do**

    i. This program file corresponds to all figures and/or models that are presented within Appendix E.

f. **Committee Delay.APPENDIX F.do**

    i. This program file corresponds to all figures and/or models that are presented within Appendix F.

g. **Committee Delay.APPENDIX G.do**

    i. This program file corresponds to all figures and/or models that are presented within Appendix G.

h. **Committee Delay.APPENDIX H.do**

    i. This program file corresponds to all figures and/or models that are presented within Appendix H.

i. **Committee Delay.ANCILLARY RESULTS.do**

    i. This program file corresponds to all figures and/or models that are presented within the Manuscript and Appendices as responses to address JPIPE reviewer issues & queries, which were reported in the response document.

OUTPUT

1. These files are the corresponding output files from each program file:

    a. **Committee Delay.MANUSCRIPT RESULTS.smcl**

        i. This output file corresponds to the Stata output that is generated by the Manuscript program file.

    b. **Committee Delay.APPENDIX B RESULTS.smcl**

        i. This output file corresponds to the Stata output that is generated by the Appendix B program file.

    c. **Committee Delay.APPENDIX C RESULTS.smcl**

        i. This output file corresponds to the Stata output that is generated by the Appendix C program file.

    d. **Committee Delay.APPENDIX D RESULTS.smcl**

        i. This output file corresponds to the Stata output that is generated by the Appendix D program file.

    e. **Committee Delay.APPENDIX E RESULTS.smcl**

        i. This output file corresponds to the Stata output that is generated by the Appendix E program file.

    f. **Committee Delay.APPENDIX F RESULTS.smcl**

        i. This output file corresponds to the Stata output that is generated by the Appendix F program file.

    g. **Committee Delay.APPENDIX G RESULTS.smcl**

        i. This output file corresponds to the Stata output that is generated by the Appendix G program file.

h. **Committee Delay.APPENDIX H RESULTS.smcl**

    i. This output file corresponds to the Stata output that is generated by the Appendix H program file.

i. **Committee Delay.ANCILLARY REVIEWER RESULTS.smcl**

    i. This output file corresponds to the Stata output that is generated by the Ancillary Reviewer Results program file.

FIGURES

1. These are the figures that are produced by the Manuscript and Appendices program files:

    a. **Manuscript**

        i. These figures correspond to Figures 1, 2, 4, and 5 from the Manuscript.

    b. **Appendix A**

        i. These figures correspond to Figures A1 and A2 from Appendix A.

    c. **Appendix C**

        i. These figures correspond to Figures C1 through C6 from Appendix

    d. **Appendix D**

        i. These figures correspond to Figures D1 through D3 from Appendix D.

    e. **Appendix E**

        i. These figures correspond to Figure E1 from Appendix E.

    f. **Appendix F**

i. These figures correspond to Figures F1 and F2 from Appendix F.

g. Appendix G

i. These figures correspond to Figure G1 from Appendix G.