Replication Instructions for "War, the Presidency, and Legislative Behavior"

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The files contained in this archive provide the code necessary to replicate the analyses that are included in the paper. The "ideal.R" file shows the code that was used to generate the peacetime and wartime roll call estimates for members of Congress. This code was run on congressional roll call data downloaded from Keith Poole's website at http://www.voteview.com, and supplemented with the positions taken by the American Conservative Union and Americans for Democratic Action. These datasets are stored as "hou_107IGs.dta" and "sen_107IGs.dta". The inline comments in the .R file provide explanations as to how interest groups and legislators were used as bridge actors. Note that, due to estimation uncertainty, the estimates obtained may vary slightly from those reported and used here. The code can be modified to run on other datasets in which researchers wish to use our bridging approach to generate intertemporal estimates of legislative voting behavior.

The "h107.dta" and "s107.dta" files show the peacetime and wartime estimates for members of the 107th House and Senate. These files also enable replication of figures 1A, 1B, and 3. The files "hou_cutpoints.dta" and "sen_cutpoints.dta" contain the estimated cutpoints for the analyses shown in figure 2. The files "figure1.R", "figure2.R", "figure3.R", and figure4.R" allow researchers to recreate the corresponding figures.

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