Codebook for "Legislature Size and Party Unity Evidence from Historical U.S. State Legislatures"

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Dataset: "ilin_data.csv"
Description: Illinois/Indiana legislator-session level data used for main analyses
Variables:

Variable	Description
year	Year of session
state	State abbreviation
name	Legislator name
county	Legislator county
party	Legislator party
ko_id	Legislator unique id
partyunity	Party unity score at the 50% threshold
partyunityvotes	Number of party unity votes at the 50% threshold that the legislator voted on
mmd	Multi-member district indicator (0=no, 1=yes)
n_mem	Number of members representing legislator's district
pu55	Party unity score at the 55% threshold
puv55	Number of party unity votes at the 55% threshold that the legislator voted on
pu60	Party unity score at the 60% threshold
puv60	Number of party unity votes at the 60% threshold that the legislator voted on
pu65	Party unity score at the 65% threshold
puv65	Number of party unity votes at the 65% threshold that the legislator voted on
pu70	Party unity score at the 70% threshold
puv70	Number of party unity votes at the 70% threshold that the legislator voted on

pu75	Party unity score at the 75% threshold
puv75	Number of party unity votes at the 75% threshold that the legislator voted on
pu80	Party unity score at the 80% threshold
puv80	Number of party unity votes at the 80% threshold that the legislator voted on
pu85	Party unity score at the 85% threshold
puv85	Number of party unity votes at the 85% threshold that the legislator voted on
pu90	Party unity score at the 90% threshold
puv90	Number of party unity votes at the 90% threshold that the legislator voted on
pu_partysample	Sampling-based party unity score using the minimum minority party size
pus10	Sampling-based party unity score with a sample of 10 legislators
pus5	Sampling-based party unity score with a sample of 5 legislators
pus2	Sampling-based party unity score with a sample of 2 legislators
inc	Legislator is an incumbent
tot_puvotes	Total number of party unity votes at the 50% threshold
tot_puv55	Total number of party unity votes at the 55% threshold
tot_puv60	Total number of party unity votes at the 60% threshold
tot_puv65	Total number of party unity votes at the 65% threshold
tot_puv70	Total number of party unity votes at the 70% threshold
tot_puv75	Total number of party unity votes at the 75% threshold
tot_puv80	Total number of party unity votes at the 80% threshold

tot_puv85	Total number of party unity votes at the 85% threshold
tot_puv90	Total number of party unity votes at the 90% threshold
majority	Legislator's majority party status (0 = minority, 1 = majority)
bigger	Indicator variable for when the legislature was larger in size
bigger3	Three-part indicator for different periods of legislature size
maj_share	Majority party seat share in the chamber
lht	Continuous measure of legislature size; number of legislators in the chamber
all_votes	Total number of all votes in a given session
mod_year	Year fixed effect
partyunity_lagged	Lagged party unity score
id_county	Legislator-district fixed effect
single_il_county_sample	Indicator for if the legislator is part of the single district Illinois sample
State	Full state name

Dataset: "njvt_data.csv"
Description: New Jersey/Vermont legislator-session level data used for main analyses
Variables:

Variable	Description
state	State abbreviation
year	Year of session
id	Legislator's unique id
names	Legislator name
party	Legislator party
partyunity	Party unity score at the 50% threshold
partyunityvotes	Number of party unity votes at the 50% threshold that the legislator voted on
tot_puvotes	Total number of party unity votes at the 50% threshold
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maj_share	majority party seat share in the chamber
lht	Continuous measure of legislature size; number of legislators in the chamber
modyear1	Year fixed effect
partyunity_lagged	Lagged party unity score
State	Full state name

Dataset: "Law_IL.xlsx"
Description: Excel sheet including necessary data to explore additional outcomes in the Illinois House
Sheet 1 Variables:

Variable	Description
State	State abbreviation
Year	Year of session
Page	Page number in session laws
Law	Number of laws on that page
Session	Session number

Sheet 2 Variables:

Variable	Description
State	State abbreviation
Year	Year of session
Page	Page number in session laws
JointResolution	Number of joint resolutions on that page

Sheet 3 Variables:

Variable	Description
State	State abbreviation
Year	Year of session
Page	Page number in legislative journal
Session Type	Regular or special session
Committees	Number of committees

Dataset: "Dubin_excerpt.csv"
Description: Excerpt of data from Dubin, Michael J. 2007. *Party Affiliations in the State Legislatures: A Year By Year Summary, 1796-2006*. McFarland.
Variables:

Variable	Description
state	State abbreviation
year	Year of election
lht	Size of chamber

Dataset: "Il_sample_50_75_coding.csv"
Description: Classification of party unity votes of different thresholds
Variables:

Variable	Description
year	Year of session
vote_num	Vote number (author use only)
page	Page number (author use only)
volume	Volume (author use only)
category	Hand coded category of votes
level	Party unity threshold
notes	Legend for category variable