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Congressional Democrats and the Bush administration agreed on a compromise minimum-wage bill , opening the way for the first wage-floor boost in more than nine years .

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The agreement ended a long impasse between the congressional leaders and the White House over the wage issue .

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President Bush in June vetoed a measure passed by Congress and said he would n't accept any minimum-wage rise that went beyond limits he set early in this year 's debate on the issue .

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The compromise was a somewhat softened version of what the White House had said it would accept .

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Under the agreement with the House and Senate leaders , the minimum wage would rise from the current \$ 3.35 an hour to \$ 4.25 an hour by April 1991 .

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White House officials were delighted that the compromise includes the concept of a training wage , which Mr. Bush has fought for throughout the year .

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" For the first time in history , we have a training wage that will be part " of the nation 's labor laws , said Roger Porter , assistant to the president for economic and domestic policy .

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White House aides said that although they made a small compromise on the length of a training wage , the final minimum-wage increase will meet the standards set by Mr. Bush .

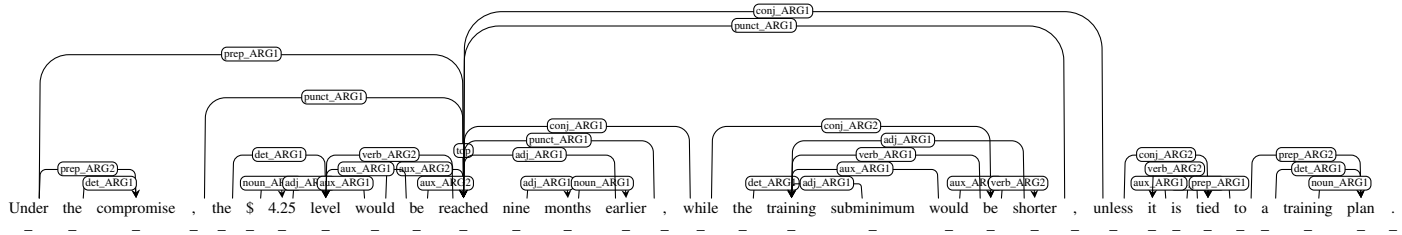
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The bill vetoed by the president in June , which the House failed to override , would have lifted the minimum wage to \$ 4.55 an hour by late 1991 , with a training wage for up to two months , generally for a worker 's first job .

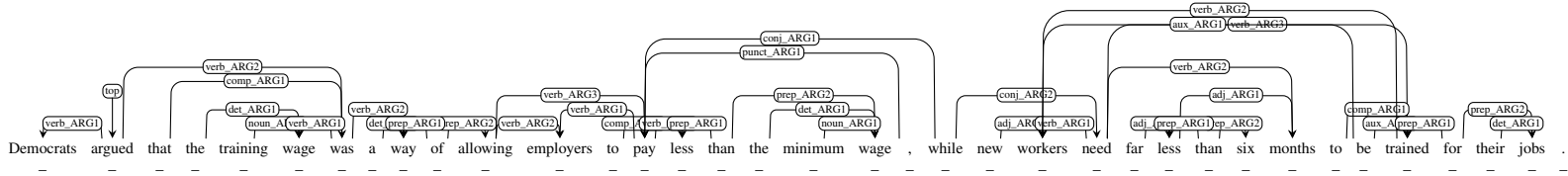
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Mr. Bush had been holding out for a bill boosting the wage floor to \$ 4.25 an hour by the end of 1991 , coupled with a six-month training wage for workers newly hired by any employer .

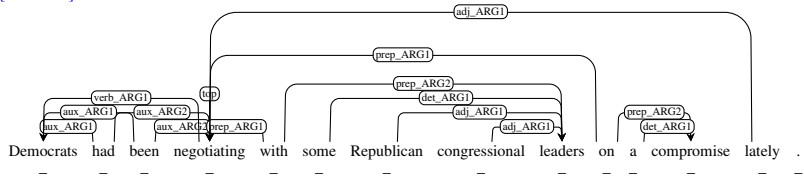
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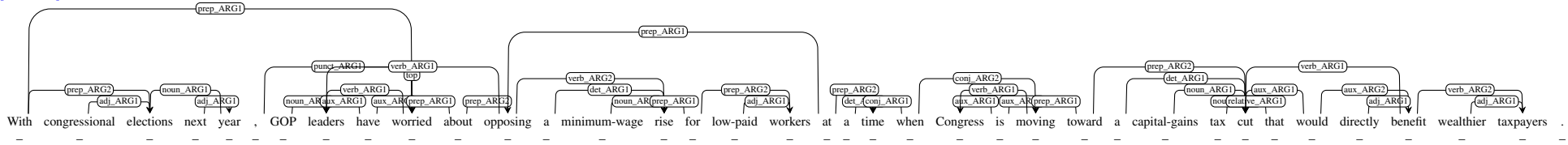
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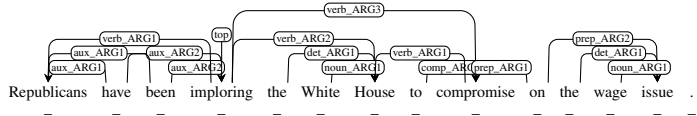
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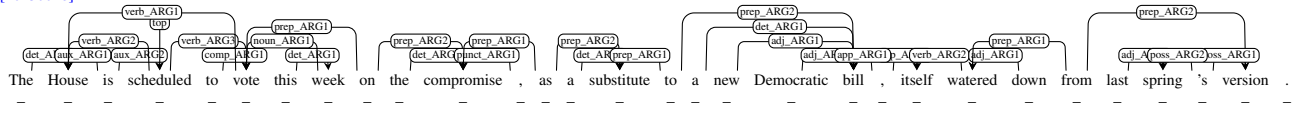
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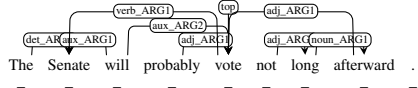
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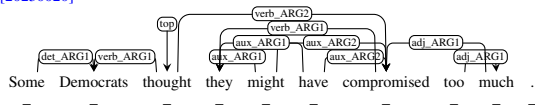
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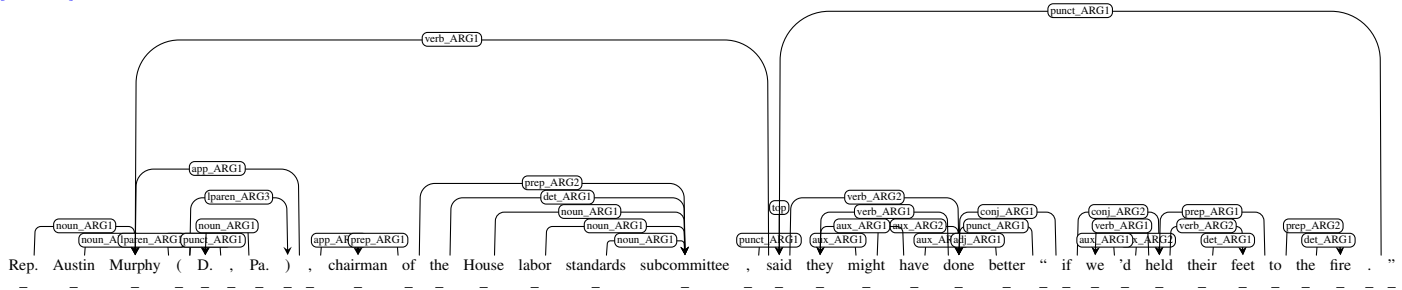
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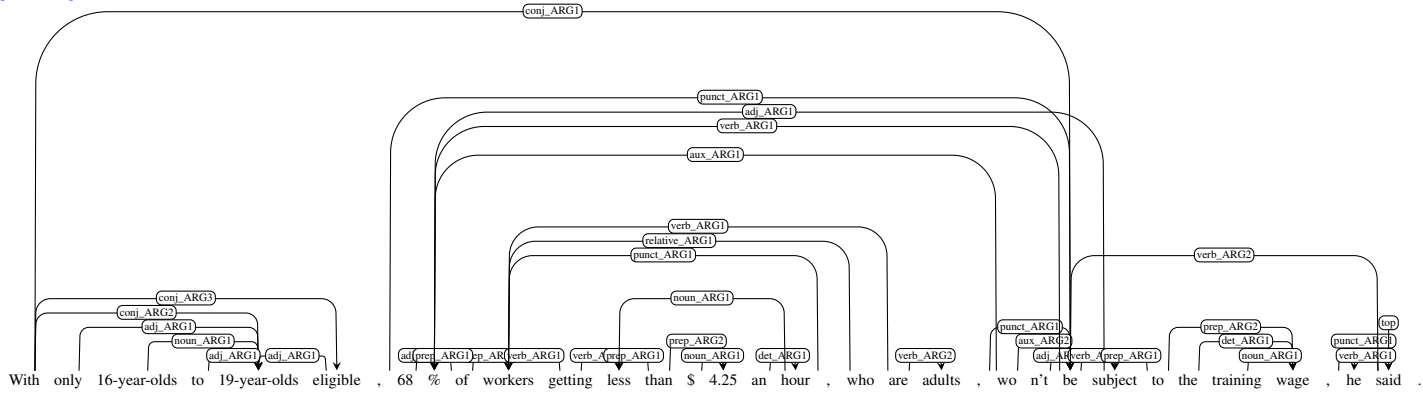
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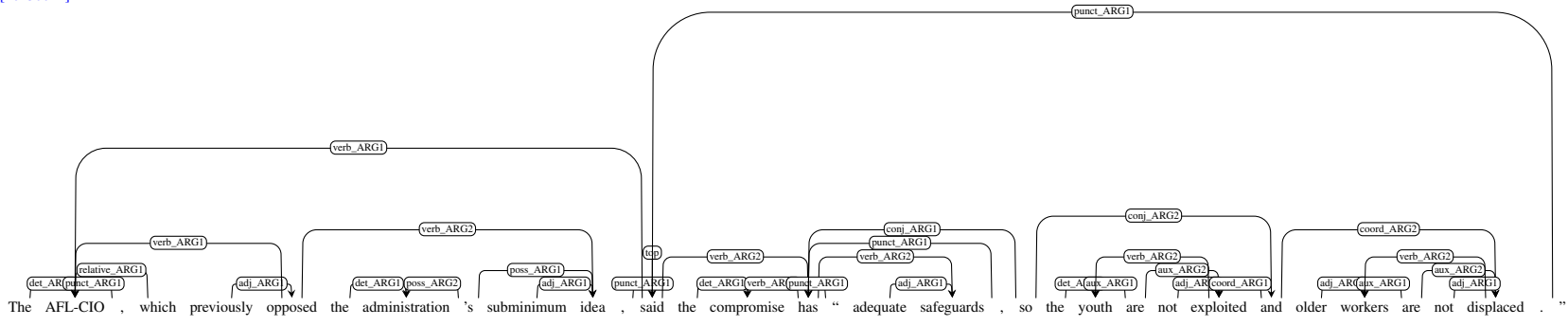
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