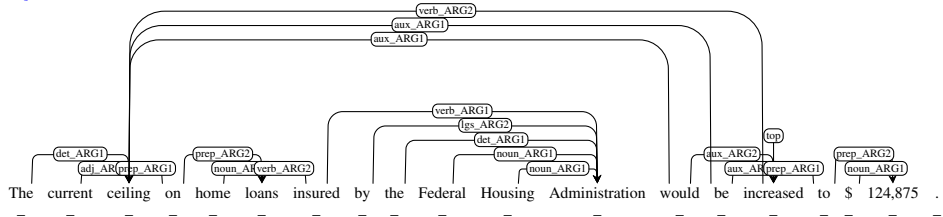
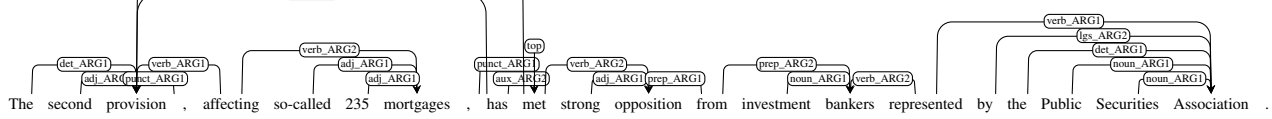


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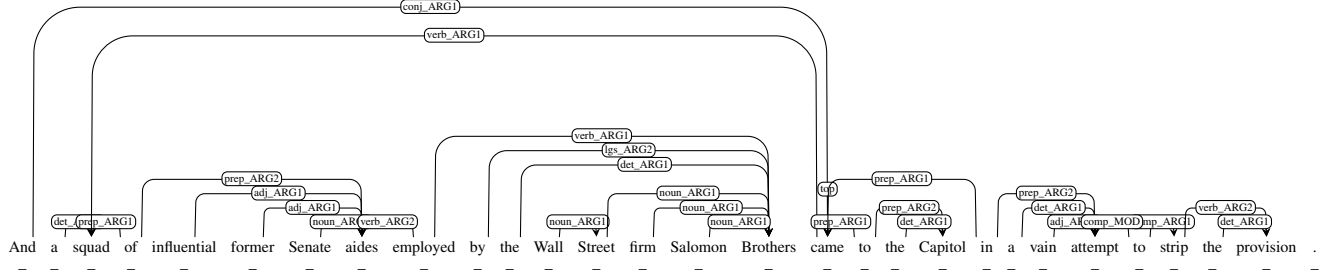
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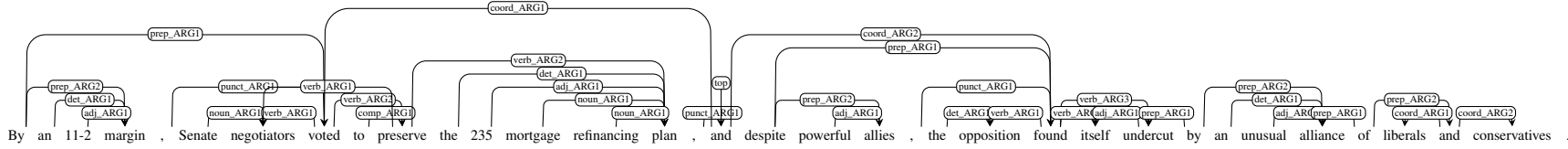
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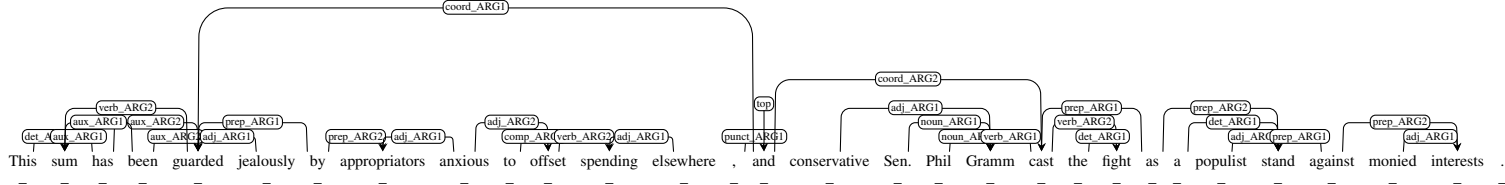
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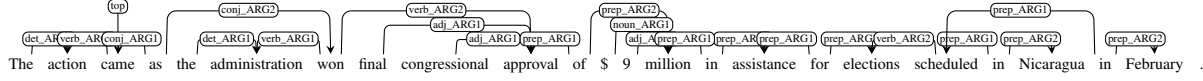
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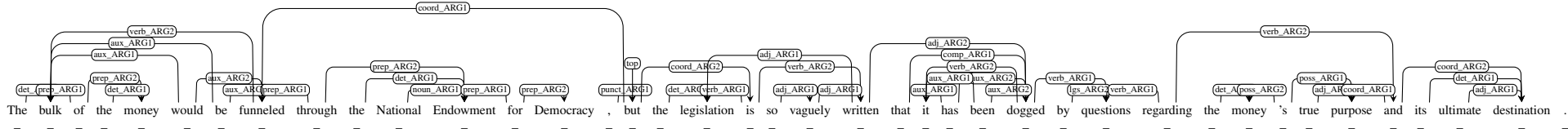
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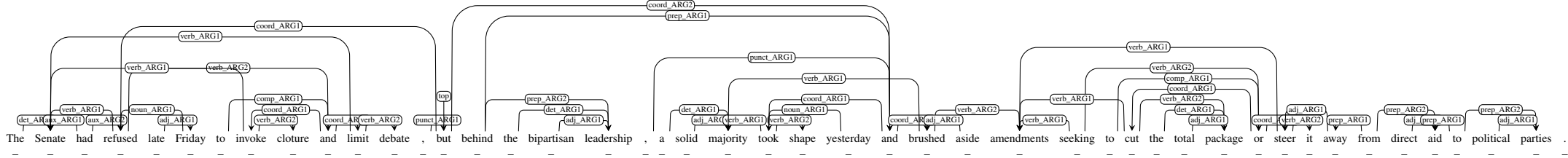
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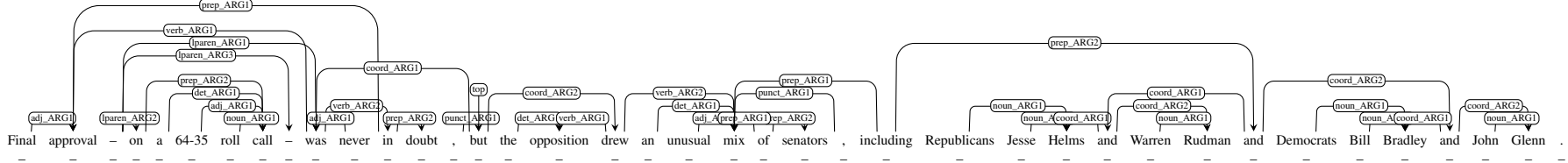
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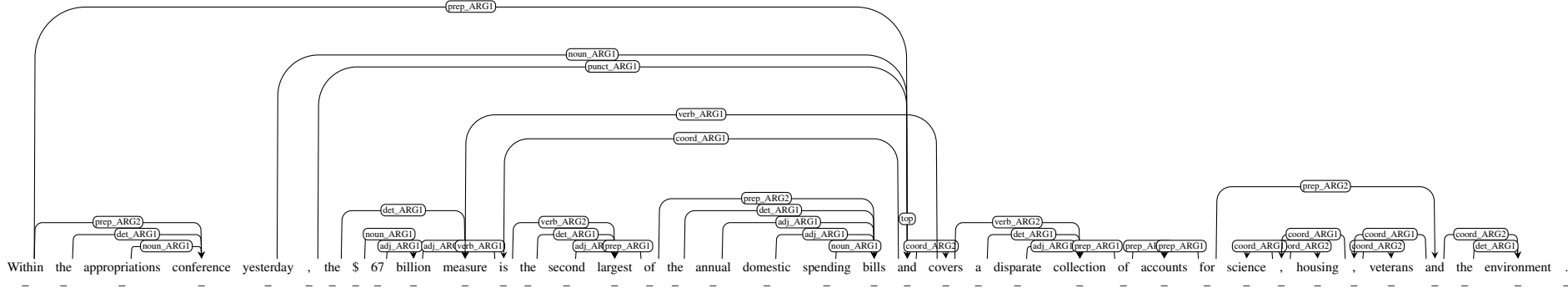
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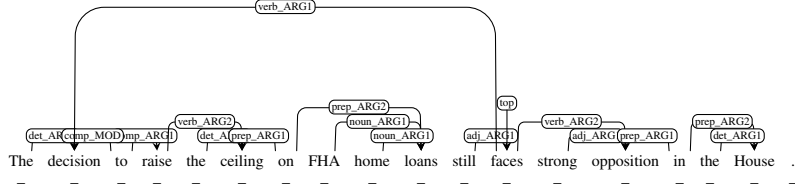
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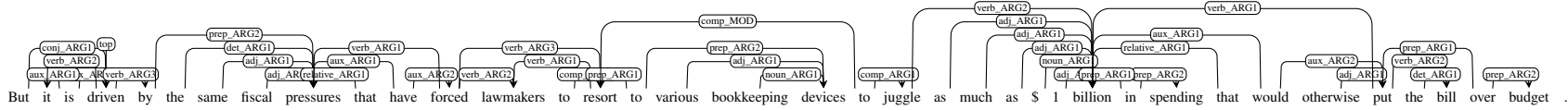
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These costs will complicate the budget picture in fiscal 1991 . and the measure further commits Congress to a set of costly projects , including the first construction funds for the space station .

Similarly , the House agreed to add back \$ 62 million to continue work on the advanced communications technology satellite , being developed by General Electric Co .

And while setting a statutory limit of \$ 1.6 billion on the automated space probe , the conference appropriated \$ 30 million for the start-up of the CRAF-Cassini mission , a successor to the Voyager space probe .

Among major domestic agencies , the Environmental Protection Agency stands to receive increases significantly beyond those sought by the administration , with pollution abatement and control accounts growing by 14 % to about \$ 829.9 million .

An estimated \$ 1.57 billion is separately allocated for the National Science Foundation , and within the Housing and Urban Development Department , more than \$ 9.2 billion is provided for federally assisted housing , including an expanded effort to modernize public housing units that serve the poorest families .

To an unusual degree , the massive bill has become a vehicle for lawmakers to earmark funds for projects in home states .

While the practice was discouraged in the past , the conference agreement is laced with veterans ' hospitals , environmental projects and urban grants designated for specific communities .

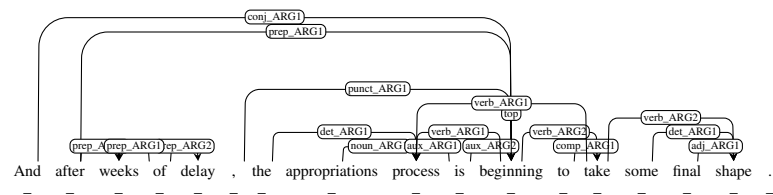
The most striking example yesterday may have been in community development funds , where the two houses had separately approved a total of 27 projects valued at \$ 20 million , and the conference added 15 more valued at \$ 8 million to ostensibly preserve " balance " between the House and Senate .

Yesterday ' s conference agreement is the second major bill to emerge from negotiations this week , as appropriators approved a fiscal 1990 transportation bill late Monday that includes a sweeping ban on smoking on most domestic airline flights .

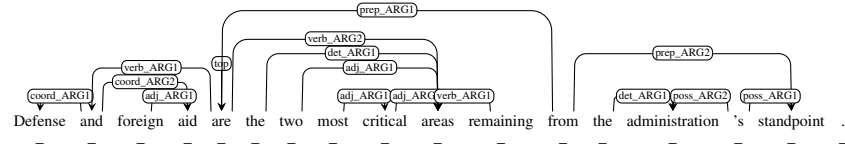
An exemption will remain for flights longer than six hours to Hawaii and Alaska , but estimates by the tobacco industry yesterday indicate all but about 50 flights would be covered .

Separately , a third conference report covering an \$ 18.4 billion Treasury and Postal Service bill was sent to the Senate after passing the House on a 383-30 roll call yesterday .

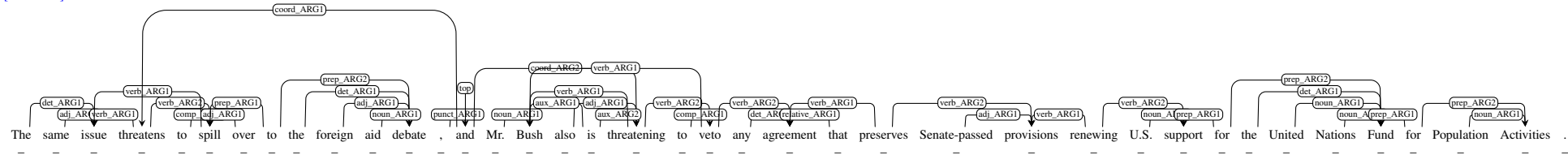
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