

A1. Code

The Data, Code, Analysis and Plots used to construct this paper can be found on my github profile: https://github.com/minnaheim/contribution_vote_data. This paper was written using typst, based on the template from the Technical University of Munich: <https://github.com/ls1intum/thesis-template-typst>.

A2. Additional Models

Descriptive statistics					
Statistic	N	Mean	St. Dev.	Min	Max
District	1,984	9.191	9.803	0	53
Vote Change	2,314	0.062	0.342	0	4
Birthyear	2,314	1,958.587	11.147	1,929	1,989
1st dimension DW Nominate	2,314	0.439	0.137	0.110	0.848
2nd dimension DW Nominate	2,314	0.215	0.167	0.000	0.957
Vote Number	2,314	21.617	22.326	3	52
Vote Dummy	2,217	0.504	0.500	0	1
Seniority	2,314	5.546	4.205	1	18
Pro Env Contributions Amount	2,314	19.800	29.876	0.000	380.725
Anti Env Contributions Amount	2,314	0.991	2.877	0.000	60.550
Democratic Majority in House	2,314	0.321	0.467	0	1
Pro-Env Contribution Dummy	2,314	0.914	0.280	0	1
Anti-Env Contribution Dummy	2,314	0.307	0.461	0	1

Figure 1: the Main Dataset used for the Analysis¹

¹The variable Instance refers to the Votes. The Instances are 3, 4, 51, 52, 6, and 7, where 3 stands for the vote in the 113th Congress, 51 stands for the first vote in the 115th Congress, 52 for the second vote in the 115th congress, etc. The district variable refers to the district that the legislators represented. Sadly not all representatives had the district information.

	<i>Dependent variable:</i>	
	Vote <i>panel</i> <i>linear</i>	Vote <i>conditional</i> <i>logistic</i>
	(1)	(2)
Anti-Env Contributions Amount	-0.001*** (0.0001)	-0.021*** (0.008)
Pro-Env Contributions Amount	0.007*** (0.001)	0.103*** (0.034)
Pro-Env Contribution Dummy	-0.007 (0.009)	-0.049 (0.407)
Anti-Env Contribution Dummy	-0.021 (0.013)	-0.595 (0.589)
Vote Number		0.013* (0.008)
District	0.001** (0.0004)	0.010 (0.017)
Birthyear	0.001* (0.0004)	0.039** (0.017)
1st dimension DW Nominate	-0.141*** (0.029)	-2.708* (1.398)
2nd dimension DW Nominate	-0.070*** (0.021)	-3.002*** (1.024)
GeographicalNE	0.073*** (0.011)	2.432*** (0.547)
GeographicalSO	0.009 (0.009)	0.116 (0.484)
GeographicalWE	0.019* (0.011)	0.667 (0.568)
Seniority	0.002 (0.001)	0.070 (0.045)
GenderM	-0.025*** (0.009)	-1.141** (0.469)
Observations	1,901	1,901
R ²	0.081	0.061
Adjusted R ²	0.072	
Max. Possible R ²		0.205
Log Likelihood		-157.637
F Statistic	12.778*** (df = 13; 1881)	
Wald Test		93.070*** (df = 14)
LR Test		119.769*** (df = 14)
Score (Logrank) Test		158.630*** (df = 14)
<i>Note:</i> *p<0.1; ** p<0.05; *** p<0.01		

Figure 2: The LPM with party and year fixed effects and Conditional Logit Model with party fixed effects.

	<i>Dependent variable:</i>					
	Vote in 113th Congress (1)	Vote in 114th Congress (2)	1st Vote in 115th congress (3)	2nd Vote in 115th congress (4)	Vote 116th congress (5)	Vote 117th congress (6)
Anti-Env Contributions for Vote 3	0.0004 (0.0003)	0.001 (0.0005)	0.001 (0.001)	-0.0004 (0.001)	-0.002*** (0.001)	-0.002*** (0.001)
Pro-Env Contributions for Vote 3	0.001 (0.004)	-0.003 (0.004)	-0.008 (0.006)	-0.001 (0.007)	-0.005 (0.005)	-0.001 (0.005)
Anti-Env Contributions for Vote 4		0.0001 (0.0004)	-0.0004 (0.001)	0.00003 (0.001)	-0.0001 (0.001)	-0.003*** (0.001)
Pro-Env Contributions for Vote 4		0.0004 (0.005)	-0.010* (0.005)	0.004 (0.006)	0.007* (0.004)	-0.020*** (0.004)
Anti-Env Contributions for Vote 51			0.001 (0.001)	0.006*** (0.002)	0.005*** (0.001)	0.006*** (0.001)
Pro-Env Contributions for Vote 51			0.002 (0.005)	0.009 (0.006)	0.001 (0.006)	-0.0003 (0.006)
Anti-Env Contributions for Vote 52				-0.004** (0.002)	-0.003** (0.001)	-0.002* (0.001)
Pro-Env Contributions for Vote 52				-0.014*** (0.003)	-0.003 (0.005)	0.0003 (0.005)
Anti-Env Contributions for Vote 6					0.0003 (0.001)	0.002*** (0.001)
Pro-Env Contributions for Vote 6					-0.002 (0.011)	-0.014* (0.008)
Anti-Env Contributions for Vote 7						-0.001 (0.001)
Pro-Env Contributions for Vote 7						0.017* (0.009)
PartyR	0.951*** (0.019)	0.924*** (0.024)	0.936*** (0.028)	0.905*** (0.033)	0.979*** (0.022)	0.955*** (0.023)
1st dimension DW Nominate	-0.183*** (0.061)	-0.079 (0.077)	-0.079 (0.091)	-0.061 (0.110)	-0.011 (0.075)	0.035 (0.079)
2nd dimension DW Nominate	0.208*** (0.046)	0.178*** (0.057)	0.110* (0.065)	0.064 (0.078)	0.026 (0.056)	0.081 (0.055)
GenderM	0.032* (0.018)	0.036 (0.022)	0.007 (0.025)	0.017 (0.030)	0.024 (0.020)	0.004 (0.019)
Pro-Env Contribution Dummy	-0.017 (0.019)	-0.007 (0.025)	0.017 (0.026)	0.012 (0.030)	0.010 (0.036)	-0.018 (0.033)
Anti-Env Contribution Dummy	0.031 (0.032)	0.025 (0.036)	0.052 (0.036)	-0.036 (0.047)	0.007 (0.030)	0.009 (0.027)
Observations	339	332	281	268	224	179
R ²	0.940	0.910	0.917	0.891	0.968	0.976
Adjusted R ²	0.912	0.866	0.869	0.824	0.943	0.954
F Statistic	451.407*** (df = 8; 231)	224.254*** (df = 10; 221)	163.850*** (df = 12; 178)	96.517*** (df = 14; 165)	235.046*** (df = 16; 126)	211.775*** (df = 18; 93)

Note:

*p<0.1; **p<0.05; ***p<0.01

Figure 3: The LPM analysing each individual vote and the relevant contributions leading up to it.

	<i>Dependent variable:</i>	
	Vote	
	<i>OLS</i> (1)	<i>logistic</i> (2)
Log. Anti-Env Contributions Amount	-0.015*** (0.004)	-0.532*** (0.185)
Log. Pro-Env Contributions Amount	0.027*** (0.009)	0.839** (0.334)
Anti-Env Contribution Dummy	0.003 (0.016)	0.190 (0.747)
Pro-Env Contribution Dummy	-0.015 (0.012)	-0.319 (0.569)
District	0.001** (0.0004)	0.007 (0.017)
PartyR	-0.898*** (0.009)	-8.385*** (0.530)
Birthyear	0.001* (0.0004)	0.022 (0.018)
GenderM	-0.023** (0.009)	-1.138** (0.494)
1st dimension DW Nominate	-0.141*** (0.029)	-3.339** (1.454)
2nd dimension DW Nominate	-0.072*** (0.021)	-3.150*** (1.112)
GeographicalNE	0.071*** (0.011)	2.460*** (0.553)
GeographicalSO	0.006 (0.009)	0.127 (0.477)
GeographicalWE	0.018 (0.011)	0.804 (0.561)
Vote Number	0.001*** (0.0002)	0.029*** (0.009)
Seniority	0.001 (0.001)	0.039 (0.047)
Democratic Majority in House	0.023*** (0.009)	1.569*** (0.476)
Constant	-0.434 (0.785)	-36.504 (34.885)
Observations	1,901	1,901
R ²	0.908	
Adjusted R ²	0.907	
Log Likelihood		-157.266
Akaike Inf. Crit.		348.533
Residual Std. Error	0.152 (df = 1884)	
F Statistic	1,162.325*** (df = 16; 1884)	
<i>Note:</i>	* p<0.1; ** p<0.05; *** p<0.01	

Figure 4: The main LPM models with logistically transformed Contributions

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