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ProPublica Congress API

Provides:

This API provides legislative data from the House of Representatives, the Senate, and the Library of Congress.

Key Provisioning: **Pain factor** (*0=ezpz...5=nightmare*): __2__

- You need to register for an API key but it is fairly simple (name and email address).

Quotas:

- 5000 requests per day

The Good:

- Expansive database of legislative data.
- Various sources of data are all displayed in the documentation.
- JSON and request examples are given on webpage.
- API key is entered via Request header and not link.

The Bad:

- Documentation is hard to read.
  - Organized in a complicated fashio.

The Ugly:

- Queries are done via the ?query=
  - You can't query based off different fields (i.e. committees, bills, etc.) in the same request.

Location: https://projects.propublica.org/api-docs/congress-api/

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