



**Codebook for:**      **StatuteSignificance.xlsx**

This file contains the data used in the article:

Clinton, Joshua D. and John Lapinski. 2006. "Measuring Legislative Accomplishment, 1877-1994," *American Journal of Political Science* 50 (1):232-49.

The included variables are:

**Mean Sig:** The legislative significance of the public law (high is more significant"

**SD Sig:** The standard deviation of the legislative significance score

**rank.h:** The rank ordering of statutes from the least important (1), to the most (37767)

**Congress:** The Congress number enacting the statute.

**Session:** The Session in which the statute was enacted.

**Month:** The month of the enactment.

**Day:** The date of the enactment.

**Year;** The year of the enactment.

**PL:** The public law number (if available).

**Bill.Num:** The number of the primary bill which became law.

**Description:** A brief description (from ICPSR) of the enacted legislation.

**Introducer:** The name of the member who introduced the legislation.

**House.Com:** Which committees the bill was referred to in the House (if available)

**Sen.Com:** Which committees the bill was referred to in the Senate (if available)

**Conf.Com:** Was a conference committee required? Yes (1) or No (0)

**Page.Main:** The number of pages in the main bill (excluding substitutes).

**Page.Subs:** Number of pages in related substitute bills.

**Total.Pages:** Number of Pages in Main Bill and Substitutes