

Data on administrative consultations

Before presented to parliament all Danish bills must undergo an administrative consultation. Only a few bills, such as the yearly financial bill, are excepted.

The proposals are sent to other public authorities, interest groups, specialists, and other potential stakeholders. The lists of recipients tend to be rather inclusive, so it is a rather inclusive group of actors who are invited. The recommended response time is at least four weeks, but it is some time shorter and sometimes longer. When the consultation is finished, the ministry on behalf of the minister produce a so-called "consultation letter" with the minister's/ministry's comments to all the comment and proposals.

The core of the file is, that we for all bills in the parliamentary year 2009/2010 have registered all consultation answers from interest groups with respect to their destiny: Have their comments to the bill been rejected, partly accommodated og full or almost fully accommodated?

The file also contains data on Rejection, partly support or full or almost full support. In this way, it is possible to get a measure for the extent to which different interest groups are successful in affecting policy output.

The data sets include information about among others

1. Actor type describing the type of actor responding such as interest groups, experts, government actors or private companies.
2. Interest group type categorizing all interest groups according to the INTERARENA coding scheme
3. Ministerial responses to interest group preferences on new bills

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