
House Conservatives Use 'Byrd Bot' AI Tool to Craft Budget Plan

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The bot marks a step forward in Congress' use of AI to legislate. If successful, it could avoid a frustrating process in the crafting of partisan budget bills.

House Republicans saw some of their pet priorities cut from President Donald Trump's signature 2025 tax-and-spending legislation because the policies were deemed ineligible by the Senate parliamentarian. The RSC's AI tool will help Republicans "generate compliant legislative text and preempt Democrat challenges," according to a summary of the "Reconciliation 2.0" blueprint.

"We should use AI as a tool for rooting out waste and fraud," Arrington said. "If the Byrd Bot can identify potential challenges for writing policies that would pass muster in reconciliation, then we can better anticipate those challenges, and we can prepare the language that would give us a better chance at passing some of these provisions."

Speaker [Mike Johnson](#) (R-La.) has repeatedly called for a second reconciliation bill in the new year, but many congressional Republicans doubt it's possible, especially given election year pressures. House GOP leaders have struggled to find a rallying point for their members after the passage of Trump's "One Big Beautiful Bill" last summer.

The House and Senate have internal guidelines on AI to ensure it's used safely. Lawmakers in recent years have experimented with AI tools in their offices to do research and accelerate tasks.

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