

and global challenges^[15]. Some suggestions on renewable energy and conservation, federal-state partnership on energy infrastructure and standards are all adopted by Obama Government.

4. Conclusion

The aim of this article was to illustrate the usefulness of text analysis for the measurement of think tank influence. Think tank influence can be measured by comparing the policy preferences of think tanks with the final policy output. This approach is promising since it provides an objective measurement, and also is a black-boxing method which can cover all channels of influence and can be applied to a large number of cases. But at the same time problematic that it does not make it clear through which channels influence is exerted. The policy-making process consists of several stages including agenda setting, policy formulation, and policy implementation^[16]. The method focuses on the involvement of think tanks during first two stages.

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