





did he do it if he didn't think he'd win and was sure House wouldn't act?

He said he did it for educational purposes, to show people how hard it would be to balance the budget. He sort of feels he must go through with it for some strong, deeply held reason. It's a kind of integrity about it all that drives him.

Or, more cynically, personal political advantage of some sort in being some distance from Reagan.

Question. Can the budget process be saved without a bipartisan coalition supporting it?