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VON DER LEYEN NEEDS 361 VOTES TO KEEP HER JOB. GOOD LUCK WITH THAT.

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In 2019, Ursula von der Leyen only secured her job as European Commission president by a razor-thin majority in the European Parliament: nine votes.

This year, the numbers game required to secure a second term from a potentially way more hostile European Parliament after the June 6-9 EU election looks even tougher. There is a very real chance the German conservative just wont get the votes.

In order to win another stint running the EU from the 13th floor of the commissions Berlaymont headquarters in Brussels, von der Leyen needs to overcome two major political hurdles.

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