The graph illustrates the polarization in the U.S. Senate from 1981 to 2013, measured using various metrics: CFscores, DW-NOMINATE, and Predicted DW-NOMINATE. The polarization is quantified as the distance between party means, with a notable increase observed over time. The years marked on the x-axis correspond to the Congress session, for example, 1981(97) for the 97th Congress, 1983(98) for the 98th Congress, and so forth up to 2013(113) for the 113th Congress.