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# ALEC EXPOSED

"ALEC" has long been a secretive collaboration between Big Business and "conservative" politicians. Behind closed doors, they ghostwrite "model" bills to be introduced in state capitals across the country. This agenda-underwritten by global corporationsincludes major tax loopholes for big industries and the super rich, proposals to offshore U.S. jobs and gut minimum wage, and efforts to weaken public health, safety, and environmental protections. Although many of these bills have become law, until now, their origin has been largely unknown. With **ALEC EXPOSED**, the Center for Media and Democracy hopes more Americans will study the bills to understand the depth and breadth of how big corporations are changing the legal rules

## **ALEC's Corporate Board**

and undermining democracy

## --in recent past or present

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across the nation

- UPS
- Bayer Corporation
- GlaxoSmithKline
- Energy Future Holdings
- Johnson & Johnson
- Coca-Cola Company
- PhRMA • Kraft Foods, Inc.
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- Pfizer Inc.
- · Reed Elsevier, Inc. DIAGEO
- · Peabody Energy
- Intuit, Inc.
- · Koch Industries, Inc.
- ExxonMobil
- Reynolds American Inc.
- Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.
- Salt River Project
- Altria Client Services, Inc.
- American Bail Coalition • State Farm Insurance

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DID YOU KNOW? Corporations VOTED to adopt this. Through ALEC, global companies work as "equals" in "unison" with politicians to write laws to govern your life. Big Business has "a VOICE and a VOTE," according to newly exposed documents. DO YOU?

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Resolution Urging Congress to Aid State Tax Reform

#### Summarv

A concurrent resolution encouraging the President of the United States to support and the Congress of the United States to enact legislation allowing the deduction from federal income taxes under Section 164 of the Internal Revenue Code of all or part of a fee or other charge imposed by a state in place of state and local property or income taxes as part of a restructuring of a statewide taxation system. Absent such a measure, many citizens in states that adopt tax restructuring could see their federal tax burden increased.

### **Model Legislation**

WHEREAS, under section 164 of the Internal Revenue Code, state and local real property, personal property, and income taxes are deductible as itemized deductions from federal income taxes:

WHEREAS, many states, including [Insert Name], are considering restructuring their state systems of taxation:

WHEREAS, restructuring a statewide taxation system might include the replacement of state and local property or income taxes with fees or other charges;

WHEREAS, a fee or other charge or the part of a fee or charge that, as part of a restructuring of a statewide taxation system, a state imposes to replace state and local property or income taxes should likewise be deductible under Section 164 of the Internal Revenue Code as itemized deductions from federal income taxes.

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the state of [Insert Name] calls upon the President of the United States to support and the Congress of the United States to enact legislation allowing the deduction from federal income taxes under Section 164 of the Internal Revenue Code of all or part of a fee or other charge imposed by a state in place of state and local property or income taxes as part of a restructuring of a statewide taxation

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Did you know that the Evergreen Freedom Foundation--which is connected to the Kochs--was the corporate co-chair in 2011?