

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 capitols across the country. This agenda—underwritten by global corporations—includes 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 and undermining democracy across the nation.

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 ON PUBLIC EDUCATION OF RESPIRATORY SYNCYTIAL VIRUS (RSV)

WHEREAS, in the United States, Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) disease is the most frequent cause for hospitalizations of children under one year of age; and

WHEREAS, RSV is a highly-contagious disease which can be controlled with better education of parents, day-care workers, and health professionals; and

WHEREAS, while infection with this virus generally manifests itself in older children and adults as a mild upper respiratory tract infection, RSV can cause severe and even fatal disease in premature infants and those infants who have other compromising risk factors such as chronic lung disease or hemodynamically significant congenital heart disease; and

WHEREAS, this legislative body encourages active education efforts on the part of **{insert name of state public health department}** targeted to parents and providers in order to share current information on prevention and treatment of RSV, as well as methods of prophylaxis of RSV in high-risk individuals; and

WHEREAS, this legislative body encourages the importance of preventative activities for children at risk of contracting RSV and prophylaxis for children who are at high risk of complications from the disease;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this legislative body encourages **{insert name of state public health department}** to provide information on immunizations to parents and providers, and also provide information on RSV, including the prevention of infection with this virus.

Did you know that global pharmaceutical company Bayer Healthcare was the corporate co-chair in 2011?

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