

**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.

**ALEC's Corporate Board**

—in recent past or present

- AT&T Services, Inc.
- centerpoint360
- UPS
- Bayer Corporation
- GlaxoSmithKline
- Energy Future Holdings
- Johnson & Johnson
- Coca-Cola Company
- PhRMA
- Kraft Foods, Inc.
- Coca-Cola Co.
- Pfizer Inc.
- Reed Elsevier, Inc.
- DIAGEO
- Peabody Energy
- Intuit, Inc.
- Koch Industries, Inc.
- ExxonMobil
- Verizon
- Reynolds American Inc.
- Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.
- Salt River Project
- Altria Client Services, Inc.
- American Bail Coalition
- State Farm Insurance

For more on these corporations, search at [www.SourceWatch.org](http://www.SourceWatch.org).

**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 Supporting the Private Ownership of Property**

**WHEREAS**, the Founding Fathers of our nation understood that the rights to own property is the cornerstone of liberty and freedom and is essential to the concept of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness;

**WHEREAS**, the private ownership of property is an essential element of free, independent and sovereign society;

**WHEREAS**, the private ownership of property guarantees individual liberty and freedom;

**WHEREAS**, the private ownership of property includes, but is not limited to, land, real, tangible, intangible, personal and corporate possessions and intellectual properties;

**WHEREAS**, the right to private ownership of property is being destroyed, often without forewarning or compensation, by statutes, regulations, executive orders and judicial fiat, et al.; now

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that {insert state} is opposed to any governmental attempt at whatever level and by whatever means to confiscate, reduce the value of, or restrict the uses of private property unless to abate a public nuisance affecting the public health and safety; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that {insert state} supports the Constitution of the United States and safeguards contained therein, as vital to the sovereignty of these United States and to individual liberty and freedom; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States, the Speaker of the House, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the every member of this state's Congressional Delegation.

Did you know the trade group for the gas industry was a corporate co-chair in 2011?

From CMD, this resolution expresses opposition to public interest regulations, such as to protect public health or the environment like pollution emission limits, that may limit corporate desires or property values of companies or others.

See also "Property Investment Protection Act," "Regulatory Costs Fairness Act"

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