

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

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- 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.

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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Electronic Pay Choice Act

Did you know that global corporation Kraft Foods was the corporate co-chair in 2011?

Summary

An Act relating to the method of payment of wages and salaries by employers to employees.

Legislation

{Title, enacting clause, etc.}

Section 1. {Short Title.} This Act may be cited as the Electronic Pay Choice Act.

Section 2. Payment of wages or salaries shall be

1. in lawful money of the United States; and

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States; or

(C) by electronic automated fund transfer in lawful money of the United States into an account in the name of the employee at a financial institution designated by the employee; or

(D) by credit to a prepaid debit card or card account from which the employee is able to withdraw or transfer funds with full *written* disclosure by the employer of any applicable fees and affirmative consent thereto by the employee.

However, an employer that elects not to pay wages or salaries in accordance with clause (i) or (ii) shall be permitted to pay wages or salaries by credit to a prepaid debit card or card account in accordance with clause (iv), even though such employee has not affirmatively consented thereto, if the employee fails to designate an account at a financial institution in accordance with clause (iii) and the employer arranges for such card or card account to be issued through a network system through which the employee shall have the ability to make at least one free withdrawal or transfer per pay period, which withdrawal may be for any sum in such card or card account as the employee may elect, using such card or card account at financial institutions participating in such network system

Section 3. {Severability Clause}

Section 4. {Repealer Clause}

Were your laws repealed?

Section 5. {Effective Date}

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