

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.

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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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Building Life Extension for State Buildings Act

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

{Title, enacting clause, etc.}

Section 1. {Introduction} A proposal to amend the laws of {insert state} to require a life extension study for buildings to be replaced by the state.

Section 2. {Requirement for Life Extension Study}

A. To ensure that proper consideration is given to economically effective options for extending the life of an existing building, the agency responsible for each building system may support each request for funding renovation and shall support each request for funding of the replacement of a building with a building life extension study.

B. The building life extension study shall calculate:

1. The current service life of the building by considering:
 - a. The design life of the major components of the building.
 - b. The installed cost of the major components.
 - c. The remaining useful life of the major components.
2. The cost of extending the service life by five, ten, and twenty-five years respectively.

C. The agency shall compare the calculations with the proposed cost and extended service life of the proposed renovated or replaced building.

D. For the purposes of this section, "major component" includes the following elements of a building:

1. Foundation
2. Roofing
3. Interior construction
4. Plumbing
5. Electrical systems
6. Heating and cooling systems

Section 3. {Repealer Clause} ← **Were your laws repealed?**

Section 4. {Effective Date}

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