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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 capitols 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 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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Did you know the NRA--the National Rifle Association-was the corporate co-chair in

## Mandatory Sentencing for Repeated Felony Theft From a Retail Store Act

**Section 1.** Any person convicted of felony theft from a retail store, who within the immediately preceding four years was twice convicted of felony theft from a retail store, shall be sentenced to at least the minimum term provided for such offense.

**Section 2.** A person convicted under this section shall not be eligible for probation or suspension of sentence.

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