Memorandum

To: Education Task Force Members
From: Michael Bowman, Senior Director, Policy and Strategic Initiatives, ALEC
Re: 35-Day Mailing—Education Task Force Meeting
Date: October 25, 2012

The American Legislative Exchange Council (ALEC) will host its 2012 States & Nation Policy Summit November 28 - November 30 in Washington, D.C. The Education Task Force will meet on Friday, November 30 from 2:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. There will also be an education workshop and an education preliminary review meeting (listed below). All Task Force members are highly encouraged to participate in the workshop and the preliminary review meeting. If you have any questions, concerns, or amendments to any bills undergoing the sunset review, please attend the preliminary review meeting to ensure our limited time for the Task Force meeting is used most efficiently.

Education Preliminary Review Meeting
Wednesday, November 28, 2012
10:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.

Workshop: Measures of Effective Teaching
Wednesday, November 28, 2012
1:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.

Education Task Force Meeting
Friday, November 30, 2012
2:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Enclosed Materials:

- Registration and Housing Forms
- SNPS 2012 Meeting Agenda At-A-Glance
- Education Task Force Meeting Tentative Agenda
- Education Preliminary Review Meeting Tentative Agenda
- Executive Committee Recommendations
- Report to the Task Force: Pre-2008 Model Legislation with Summaries
- Proposed Model Legislation:
  - School Choice Directory Act
    Jonathan Butcher, Goldwater Institute
  - ALEC’s Mission Statement, Scholarship Policy, and Operating Procedures

I look forward to meeting with you next month. Please review all agendas, proposed legislation and legislation undergoing sunset review, and Task Force operating procedures to be an active participant. If
you have any questions or concerns regarding the meeting, feel free to contact me at mbowman@alec.org or 202-742-8523.
ATTENDEE INFORMATION
Prefix (required)  □ Sen  □ Rep  □ Del  □ Mr  □ Mrs  □ Ms  □ Other____________________________
Last Name ___________________________  First Name ___________________________  Middle Initial  ________ Badge Nickname ________
Title ________________________________
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City ___________________________  State/Province ___________________________  Country ___________________________  ZIP/Postal code ___________________________
Daytime phone ___________________________  Fax ___________________________
Alternate phone ___________________________  Email (confirmation will be sent by email____________________________
Emergency Contact  Name ___________________________  Day Phone ___________________________  Evening Phone ___________________________
Dietary Restrictions  □ This is my first time attending an ALEC event.
**Spouse / Guest / Kids’ Congress: If registering a spouse or guest, please complete the spouse/guest registration form.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION
** Please note that member fees are subject to verification
 □ ALEC Legislative Member $375  □ Legislative / Non-Member $475
 □ Newly Elected Legislator (2012 Election Cycle) $375  □ ALEC Private Sector Member $725
 □ ALEC Non-Profit Member (501(c)(3) status required) $525  □ Non-Profit Non-Member (501(c)(3) status required) $875
 □ Legislative Staff / Government $400  □ ALEC Alumni $425
 □ ALEC Legacy Member $9

For Daily Registration, select which day:  □ Mon  □ Tue  □ Wed  □ Thu  □ Fri
REGISTRATION FEES: $______

Note: Registration forms with enclosed payments must be received by November 8, 2012 to be eligible for early bird registration rates. Forms and/or payments received after November 8, 2012 will be subject to the on-site registration rate.

REGISTRATION CANCELLATION / REFUND INFORMATION
Registrations cancelled prior to 5pm Eastern November 8, 2012 are subject to a $100 cancellation fee. Registrations are non-refundable after 5pm Eastern November 8, 2012.

HOUSING RESERVATION CUTOFF FOR ALEC DISCOUNTED RATE IS November 8, 2012
Grand Hyatt Washington
Arrival Date ________________  Departure Date ________________
Sharing with: (Maximum 4 guests per room)
Room Type  Special requests
□ Single $289  □ ADA room required:  □ Audio  □ Visual  □ Mobile
□ Double $289  □ Rollaway / crib:  □ Other:  □ Other:
□ Triple $314  □
□ Quad $314

All rates DO NOT include state and local tax currently 14.5% (subject to change)

Note: Cutoff for reservations at the ALEC rate is November 8, 2012. After November 8, 2012, every effort will be made to accommodate new reservations, based on availability and rate.

HOUSING CANCELLATION / REFUND INFORMATION
Credit cards will be charged one night room and tax in the event of a no show or if cancellation occurs within 72 hours prior to arrival. Please obtain a cancellation number when your reservation is cancelled.
ATTENDEE INFORMATION IS REQUIRED TO REGISTER A SPOUSE OR GUEST

Last Name _________________________________________________   First Name ____________________________________________________
Organization _______________________________________________________________________________________________________
Daytime phone ______________________________________________________________________________________________________
Email (Confirmation will be sent by email) ______________________________________________________________________________

SPOUSE / GUEST REGISTRATION GUIDELINES
1. Spouse / guest registration is meant to accommodate legal spouse and immediate family members.
2. Attendees from the same organization must register independently. No exception will be made.
3. Spouse / guest designation will be clearly visible on name badge.

Last Name __________________________ First Name ________________________ Middle initial _____ Badge Nickname _____________________
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SPOUSE / GUEST REGISTRATION FEES

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METHOD OF SPOUSE / GUEST REGISTRATION PAYMENT
Credit Card: Credit cards will be charged immediately. Please fax to the above number for processing.

□ Amer Express

□ Visa

□ MasterCard

Exp Date (mm/yy) / __________ Signature

REGISTRATION CONFIRMATION INFORMATION
Online registrants will receive immediate email confirmation. If registering by form, confirmation will be emailed within 72 hours of receipt of payment.

REGISTRATION CANCELLATION / REFUND INFORMATION
Registrations cancelled prior to 5pm Eastern November 8, 2012 are subject to a $100 cancellation fee. Registrations are non-refundable after 5pm Eastern November 8, 2012.
Agenda

**Tuesday, November 27th**

Joint Board of Directors Meetings  
7:30 am – 5:00 pm

Registration  
12:00 pm – 5:00 pm

ALEC Joint Board Reception and Dinner  
6:00 pm – 9:30 pm

**Wednesday, November 28th**

Registration  
7:30 am – 5:00 pm

Task Force Subcommittee Meetings  
8:00 am – 11:15 am

Exhibits  
9:00 am – 5:00 pm

State Chairs Meeting  
9:00 am – 11:00 am

New Legislator Orientation  
10:15 am – 11:15 am

Opening Plenary Luncheon  
11:30 am – 1:15 pm

Task Force Chairs Meeting  
1:30 pm – 2:45 pm

Workshops  
1:30 pm – 4:15 pm

Hospitality Suite  
9:00 pm – 11:00 pm

**Thursday, November 29th**

Registration  
7:30 am – 5:00 pm

Plenary Breakfast  
8:00 am – 9:15 am

Exhibits  
9:00 am – 5:00 pm

Workshops  
9:30 am – 12:15 pm

Plenary Luncheon  
12:30 pm – 2:15 pm
Task Force Meetings 2:30 pm – 5:30 pm

- Energy, Environment, and Agriculture Task Force
- Health and Human Services Task Force
- International Relations Task Force
- Tax and Fiscal Policy Task Force

National Chairman’s Reception, by Invitation Only 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm

Gala Holiday Reception 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

Hospitality Suite 9:00 pm – 11:00 pm

Friday, November 30th

Registration 7:30 am – 2:30 pm

Plenary Breakfast 8:00 am – 9:15 am

Workshops 9:30 am – 12:15 pm

Plenary Luncheon 12:30 pm – 1:45 pm

Task Force Meetings 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm

- Civil Justice Task Force
- Communications and Technology Task Force
- Commerce, Insurance, and Economic Development Task Force
- Education Task Force
Education Task Force Meeting
ALEC’s States & Nation Policy Summit | Friday, November 30, 2012
2:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Tentative Agenda

2:30 p.m. Welcome and Introductions
Rep. Greg Forristall, Iowa, Public Sector Task Force Chair

2:45 p.m. Adopt Meeting Minutes

2:45 p.m. Review of the Sunset Process and Bills Retained by the Executive Committee

2:55 p.m. Model Bill Discussion and Voting: Consent Slate for Bills to be considered for Sunset

3:25 p.m. Model Bill Discussion and Voting: School Choice Directory Act
Sponsored by Jonathan Butcher, Goldwater Institute

3:45 p.m. Tentative Presentation: Dr. Harry Stille, Higher Education Research/Policy Center, Inc.
“Higher Education Performance Audits

3:55 p.m. Model Bill Discussion and Voting: Retain with Technical Amendments
- College Funding Accountability Act (1999)
- Resolution on Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (1999)

4:00 p.m. Model Bill Discussion and Voting: Review and Consider Amendments
- Resolution Supporting United States History (2005)
- Virtual Public Schools Act (2004) and Distance Learning: Wiring the Public Schools Act
- Longitudinal Student Growth Act (2005)
• Resolution Supporting the Principles of No Child Left Behind (2005)
• Public School Employee Union Release Time Act (2007) and teachers’ Right to Know (1999)
• Teacher Choice Compensation Act (2002) and Teacher Quality and Recognition Demonstration Act (2002)

5:20 pm Model Bill Discussion and Voting: Bills Pulled from Consent Slate

5:30 p.m. Good of the Order/Adjournment
Education Preliminary Review Meeting
ALEC’s 2012 States and Nation Policy Summit | Wednesday, November 30, 2011
9:30 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.

Tentative Agenda

9:30 a.m. Welcome and Introductions

Discussion and Voting: Proposal to Combine Four Bills
  Sponsored by Michael Poliakoff, American Council of Trustees and Alumni

Discussion and Voting: Consideration of Amendments
- Resolution Supporting United States History (2005)
  Sponsored by Michael Poliakoff, American Council of Trustees and Alumni

Discussion and Voting: Consider Executive Committee Recommendations

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- Virtual Public Schools Act (2004) and Distance Learning: Wiring the Public Schools Act

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- Longitudinal Student Growth Act (2005)

Discussion and Voting: Review and Consider Amendments
- Resolution Supporting the Principles of No Child Left Behind (2005)

Discussion and Voting: Consider Executive Committee Recommendations
- Public School Employee Union Release Time Act (2007) and teachers’ Right to Know (1999)

Discussion and Voting: Consider Executive Committee Recommendations
11: 15 a.m. Good of the Order/Adjournment

Obtained and released by:
Common Cause and
The Center for Media and Democracy
School Choice Directory Act

Summary

This legislation requires the state department of education to produce a catalogue of educational options available in the state. The catalogue will provide a brief description of all educational choices for students in K-12 as they apply to the state, including (as applicable) open enrollment, charter schools, vouchers, education savings accounts, homeschooling, and tax credit scholarships.

Model Legislation

{Title, enacting clause, etc.}

Section 1. {Definitions}
In this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires:

(A) Department” means the department of education.

(B) “Parent” means a resident of this state who is the parent or legal guardian of a qualified student.

Section 2. {Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of XXXX:}

(A) Notwithstanding any other law, the department shall produce a handbook of educational options available for parents of K-12 students and provide copies via regular mail to all state residents.

(1) The catalogue shall describe the educational choices available to students in the state, including but not limited to {as applicable} open enrollment, charter schools, private schools, homeschooling, tuition tax credit scholarships, vouchers, and education savings accounts. The handbook’s content shall provide instructions on how parents can access each of the different options.

(2) The description of each education choice shall include contact information for the state office that administers each program.

(B) The department shall make these directories available at all public offices, including the Post Office, public libraries, and at all public schools.

(C) The department shall post the catalogue on the World Wide Web.
(D) The department shall make the catalogue available in Spanish.

Section 3. {Severability Clause.}

Section 4. {Repealer clause.}

Section 5. {Effective date.}
Executive Committee Recommendations

Summary: All ALEC Model Bills passed before 2008 are undergoing review to determine whether the will remain ALEC policy, require amendments, or be allowed to sunset. The Education Task Force’s Executive Committee provides the following recommendations for each bill: Retain, Retain with Technical Amendments, Review or Amend, and Sunset.

For reference purposes, each bill is labeled with a number—for example, Model Bill 1 is the 140 Credit Hour Act (2001)—that corresponds to the bill’s order in the Report to the Task Force: Pre-2008 Model Legislation with Summaries, which is available in the drop box.

Retain – The following 11 policies fit within ALEC principles and are generally up-to-date. By unanimous consent, the Executive Committee voted to retain these model bills, transmitting them directly to the Board for consideration. No Task Force vote is necessary since the model bill or resolution is existing policy.

I. Higher Education
   a. Model Bill 1: 140 Credit Hour Act (2001)

II. School Choice
   b. Model Bill 26: Smart Start Scholarship Program (2005)

III. Student Curriculum and Protection
   b. Model Bill 47: Student Protection Act (1987-88)

IV. Teacher Certification, Quality, and Right to Know

V. Digital Learning
Retain with Technical Amendment: These two policies are mostly up-to-date, but require technical amendments. The Executive committee recommends retaining with the suggested amendments.

I. Higher Education
   a. **Model Bill 5:** College Funding Accountability Act (1999)
      i. Executive Committee Recommendation (ECR): Section 3(A) and (B) are exactly the same. Remove the repetitive language in (B).

II. Resolutions Urging Congress
   a. **Model Bill 17:** Resolution on Title 1 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (1999)
      i. ECR: Update the language: Replace “Whereas, after 34 years the Title 1 programs” with “Since 1965, the Title 1 programs.”

Review or Amend—The Executive Committee recommends the following 16 polices undergo further review by the subcommittee and task force.

I. Higher Education
      i. Michael Poliakoff (American Council of Trustees and Alumni) will review the four bills and provide recommendations to combine them into one bill.
   b. **Model Bill 13:** Resolution Supporting United States History (2005)
      i. ECR: Retain, but update with new facts. Michael Poliakoff (American Council of Trustees and Alumni) is set to provide suggestions.

II. School Choice
      i. ECR: Review in the Preliminary Review Meeting. Consider combining the two acts.
      ii. Staff will provide amendment suggestions and also welcomes suggestions from TF members.
   b. **Model Bill 30:** Virtual Public Schools Act (2004)
      i. ECR: Review further in the Preliminary Review Meeting.
      ii. ECR: Consider folding some of the Distance Learning: Wiring the Public Schools Act into this bill.
      iii. ECR: Remove the repetitive language in (A) (2)
iv. Staff will provide amendment suggestions and also welcomes suggestions from TF members.

III. Student Curriculum and Protection
      i. ECR: Review and discuss further in the Preliminary Review Meeting.
      ii. Dr. Ladner is set to provide recommendations.
   b. Model Bill 43: Resolution Supporting the Principles of No Child Left Behind (2005)
      i. ECR: Consider an amendment or changing the name.
      ii. Staff will provide amendment suggestions and also welcomes suggestions from TF members.

IV. Teacher Certification, Quality, and Right to Know
   a. Model Bill 54: National Teacher Certification Fairness Act (2001)
      i. ECR: Make the legislation more open ended, allowing other certifiers to as additional options.
      ii. ECR: In Section 2 (A) and 3 (A) insert “American Board for Certification of Teacher Excellence” as an additional option.
      iii. Staff will provide amendment suggestions and also welcomes suggestions from TF members.
      i. ECR: Attempt to combine the two bills.
      ii. Staff will provide amendment suggestions and also welcomes suggestions from TF members.
      i. ECR: Review in the Preliminary Review Meeting and attempt to combine the two bills.
      ii. Staff will provide amendment suggestions and also welcomes suggestions from TF members.

V. Digital Learning
   a. Model 62: Distance Learning: Wiring the Public Schools Act
      i. ECR: Consider updating with Wifi.

Sunset – These 33 policies are outdated or do not fit within ALEC principles. The Executive Committee recommends that they sunset.

I. Higher Education
b. **Model Bill 7**: College Savings Act (1999)


d. **Model Bill 11**: Prohibiting Aid to Draft Resisters (1985-86)

II. **Resolutions Urging Congress**

a. **Model Bill 14**: Individuals with Disabilities Education Act Resolution (2003)

b. **Model Bill 15**: Proposed Resolution on Straight A’s: Academic Achievement for All (1999)

c. **Model Bill 16**: Resolution for Educational Improvement (1991-92)

III. **School Choice**

a. **Model Bill 19**: Education Enterprise Zone Act (1995)

b. **Model Bill 20**: Family Choice in Education Act (1981-82)

c. **Model Bill 21**: Family Savings for Education Act (1980)

d. **Model Bill 23**: Parental Rights Amendment (1995)

e. **Model Bill 24**: Resolution Supporting Private Scholarship Tax Credits (2001)


g. **Model Bill 28**: Education Tax Credit Act (1979)

h. **Model Bill 29**: Parental Notification and Choice in Bilingual Education Act

IV. **Student Curriculum and Protection**

a. **Model Bill 31**: Channel One Resolution (2002)

b. **Model Bill 33**: Common Sense in Medicating Students Act (2001)

c. **Model Bill 34**: Drug-Free Schools Act (1993-1994)

d. **Model Bill 35**: Education Accountability Act (1995)

e. **Model Bill 36**: English Language Education Act (2000)

f. **Model Bill 37**: Honor America Act (1980)

g. **Model Bill 39**: No Pass/No Play Act (1987-88)

h. **Model Bill 40**: One-to-One Reading Improvement Act (2002)

i. **Model Bill 41**: Protection of Minors’ and Students Rights Act (2001)

j. **Model Bill 42**: Resolution on Non-Verified Science Curriculum Funding (2000)


l. **Model Bill 45**: Student Citizenship Act (1987-88)

m. **Model Bill 46**: State Proficiency Act (1978-79)

n. **Model Bill 48**: Student Right to Learn Act (1999)

o. **Model Bill 49**: Textbook Content Standards Act (1980)

p. **Model Bill 50**: Model Curriculum Act (1989-90)

q. **Model Bill 51**: Bilingual Education Reform (1985-86)

V. **Digital Learning**

a. **Model Bill 61**: Distance Learning Commission Act
SCHOLARSHIP POLICY BY MEETING

ALEC Spring Task Force Summit:

1. **Spring Task Force Summit Reimbursement Form**: ALEC Task Force Members are reimbursed by ALEC up to a predetermined set limit for travel expenses. Receipts must be forwarded to the ALEC Policy Coordinator and approved by the Director of Policy.
2. ALEC Task Force Members’ room & tax fees for a two-night stay are covered by ALEC.
3. **Official Alternate Task Force Members** (chosen by the State Chair and whose names are given to ALEC more than 35 days prior to the meeting to serve in place of a Task Force Member who cannot attend) are reimbursed in the same manner as Task Force Members.
4. **State Scholarship Reimbursement Form**: Any fees above the set limit, or expenses other than travel and room expenses can be submitted by Task Force Members for payment from their state scholarship account upon the approval of the State Chair. Receipts must be submitted to the State Chair, who will submit the signed form to the Director of Membership.
5. **Non-Task Force Members** can be reimbursed out of the state scholarship fund upon State Chair approval. Receipts must be submitted to the State Chair, who will submit the appropriate signed form to the Director of Membership.

ALEC Annual Meeting:

**State Scholarship Reimbursement Form**: State scholarship funds are available for reimbursement by approval of your ALEC State Chair. Expenses are reimbursed after the conference, and may cover the cost of travel, room & tax, and registration. Receipts are to be submitted to the State Chair, who will then submit the signed form to the Director of Membership.

ALEC States & Nation Policy Summit:

1. **States & Nation Policy Summit Reimbursement Form**: ALEC offers two scholarships per state to cover the cost of travel, room & tax, and registration not to exceed $1,000.00 per person for a total of $2,000.00 per state. ALEC scholarship recipients must be named by the ALEC State Chair. Expenses are submitted to the State Chair and reimbursed after the conference. The State Chair submits the signed form to the Director of Membership.

2. **State Scholarship Reimbursement Form**: Any other fees or payments must come out of the state scholarship account, with the approval of the State Chair. Receipts must be submitted to the State Chair, who submits the signed form to the Director of Membership.

ALEC Academies:

**Academy Reimbursement Form**: Attendees of ALEC Academies are reimbursed by the Task Force Committee hosting the Academy. Attendees will receive a form at the Academy, and will be reimbursed up to $500.00 for travel, and room & tax fees for a two-night stay by ALEC. Receipts must be forwarded to the appropriate Task Force Director and approved by the Director of Policy.
Mission Statement

To advance free markets, limited government, and federalism.