

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.

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?**

[Home](#) → [Model Legislation](#) → Health and Human Services
Long-Term Care Equity Protection Act

Summary

This Act is intended to be introduced in conjunction with the Long-Term Care Insurance Act. Its purpose is to require insurers offering long-term care policies to offer a nonforfeiture provision within the policy. A nonforfeiture provision offers to the consumer a specified value if the long-term care plan should lapse.

ALEC's bill stipulates that each insurer offering a long-term care insurance policy shall offer a nonforfeiture provision. The provision shall be appropriately captioned and shall provide that in the event of default in any premium payment, after premiums have been paid for at least two full years, the insurer shall grant upon proper request a reduced paid-up nonforfeiture benefit on a plan stipulated in the policy. Nonforfeiture values suggested in the model act include one or more of the following:

- A reduced paid up plan;
- An extended term;
- A return of premium; and
- Cash value.

Applicants who decline to have a nonforfeiture provision included in the policy shall sign a separate form indicating their decision to decline the nonforfeiture provision.

Model Legislation

{Title, enacting clause, etc.}

Section 1. This Act may be cited as Long-Term Care Equity Protection Act.

Each insurer offering a long term care insurance policy shall offer a nonforfeiture provision. The nonforfeiture provision shall be appropriately captioned and shall provide that in the event of default in any premium payment after premiums have been paid for a number of years stipulated in the policy the insurer shall grant upon proper request a nonforfeiture benefit including without limitation one or more of the following:

- (a) Reduced paid-up
- (b) Extended term
- (c) Return of premium
- (d) Cash value.

All non-forfeiture benefits shall be determined on the basis of assumptions consistent with those contained in the premium rates charged to the policyholder immediately prior to the date of default and all such benefits shall be of equal value.

Applicants who decline to have a non-forfeiture provision included in the policy that is applied for shall sign a separate form indicating their decision to decline the non-forfeiture provision.

Section 2. {Severability clause.}

Section 3. {Repealer clause.}

Section 4. {Effective date.}

Were your state laws repealed?

1995 Sourcebook of American State Legislation

Did you know that global pharmaceutical company Bayer Healthcare was the corporate co-chair in 2011?

About Us and ALEC EXPOSED. The Center for Media and Democracy reports on corporate spin and government propaganda. We are located in Madison, Wisconsin, and publish www.PRWatch.org, www.SourceWatch.org, and now www.ALECExposed.org. For more information contact: editor@prwatch.org or 608-260-9713.