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"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.

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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Drug Re-Importation Liability Act

To amend Chapter {__} of Title {__} of the Official Code of {insert state} Annotated, relating to general provisions of torts, so as to provide for limited liability for physicians and pharmaceutical companies from claims for damages incurred pursuant to prescriptions filled with products from outside of the United States or its territories.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF {insert state}

Section 1. Chapter {__} of Title {__} of the Official Code of {insert state} Annotated, relating to general provisions for torts, is amended by adding at the end thereof of a new Code section, to be designated Code Section {__}, to read as follows:

Section 2. Notwithstanding any other provision of law or rule of civil procedure, a physician licensed under Chapter {__} of Title {__} or a pharmaceutical company shall not be subject to civil liability in an action for damages caused by the plaintiff filling a prescription with a product from outside the United States or its territories and in violation of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (Title 21 of the U.S. Code of Federal Regulations), unless the plaintiff pleads specific facts which, if proven, amount to negligence of such physician and/or pharmaceutical company.

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