

## 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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### Energy Efficiency and Savings Act

Did you know the trade group for the gas industry was a corporate co-chair in 2011?

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

This act shall be known as the Energy Efficiency and Savings Act of \_\_\_\_\_. An act relating to exemptions from state and local sales and use tax, so as to provide for an exemption for certain appliances and products that meet or exceed the applicable energy efficiency requirements of the United States Environmental Protection Agency and the United States Department of Energy and that have received the ENERGY STAR qualification.

**SECTION 1.** The tax imposed by section ( ) shall not apply to the following:

"(A) The sale of energy efficient products. The exemption provided by this paragraph shall apply only to sales occurring during a period commencing at 12:01 A.M. on October 1, \_\_\_\_\_ and concluding at 12:00 Midnight on October 31, \_\_\_\_\_."

(B) As used in this paragraph, the term "energy efficient product" shall mean any product which has been designated by the United States Environmental Protection Agency and the United States Department of Energy as meeting or exceeding the energy efficiency requirements under the agencies "ENERGY STAR" program.

**SECTION 2.** All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

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