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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

 $\textbf{DID YOU KNOW?} \ \textbf{Corporations VOTED to adopt this.} \ \textbf{Through ALEC, global companies}$ 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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**Elimination of Non-Federally Mandated Benefits** 

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

**Summary**This legislation eliminates all Medical Assistance benefits not mandated by the federal government. The chronically needy General Assistance recipient would continue to receive federally man- dated Medical Assistance coverage. All optional services would no longer be made available.

### Model Legislation

Section 1. {Title.}

Section 2. {Definitions.}

#### Section 3. {Restrictions on Medical Assistance

Services.) Notwithstanding any provision of this act to the contrary, on and after (insert date), Medical Assistance services for eligible recipients, including chronically needy General Assistance recipients, shall be limited solely to those Medical Assistance services required to be provided by federal law or regulation.

Section 4. {Severability clause.}

Section 5. {Repealer clause.}

Section 6. {Effective date.}

Were your laws repealed?

1995 Sourcebook of American State Legislation

# **ALEC's Corporate Board**

and undermining democracy

### --in recent past or present

• AT&T Services, Inc.

across the nation.

- 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. Center for Media and Democracy's quick summary

This model law would prohibit a state from providing medical services in their Medicaid programs that are not mandated by the federal government. Many states provide medical coverage that exceeds federal minimums, so such a law would deny needed medical services to those who qualify for their state's Medicaid program.

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