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## ALEC EXPOSE

"ALEC" has long been a secretive collaboration between Big Business and "conservative" politicians. Behind closed doors, they ahostwrite "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 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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## Resolution in Opposition to the National Popular Vote **Interstate Compact**

Did you know the NRA--the National Rifle Association-was the corporate cochair in 2011?

## Summary

This resolution calls on the State of (insert state) to oppose the plan popularly known as National Popular Vote. The National Popular Vote scheme threatens freedom, representation, and the identity of the United States as a confederation of distinct governing bodies who act according to the wishes of the majority of their citizens. The National Popular Vote scheme would undermine state authority and give some states power over the voice of others. It would render minority groups voiceless and empower densely populated and more rhetoric... ideologically homogenous regions as well as radical fringe groups.

opposes provision that might "empower" cities....

**Model Resolution** 

{Title, enacting clause, etc.}

From CMD: This resolution offers a defense of the anti-democratic electoral college process by opposing national popular vote alternatives.

WHEREAS, the plan known as National Popular Vote claims to create a national system for conducting presidential elections, yet fails to create national standards for ballot access; and

WHEREAS, the plan known as National Popular Vote claims to create a national system for conducting presidential elections, yet fails to create national standards for voter qualifications; and

WHEREAS, the plan known as National Popular Vote claims to create a national system for conducting presidential elections, yet fails to create national standards for requiring a recount of

ballots within a state; and

from CMD: this shows a lot of focus on recounts....

WHEREAS, the plan known as National Popular Vote claims to create a national system for conducting presidential elections, yet fails to establish any rule to require a national recount where the national result is within a small margin even if the result in no individual state is within a margin that requires a recount in the state; and

WHEREAS, the plan known as National Popular Vote claims to create a national system for conducting presidential elections, yet fails to create national standards for recounting ballots; and

WHEREAS, the plan known as National Popular Vote claims to use an interstate compact rather than a constitutional amendment to enact a change that most Americans believe requires such an amendment and should at least be the subject of national discussion and deliberation: and

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**WHEREAS**, the plan known as National Popular Vote has no majority requirement, but would allow a candidate with a plurality – however small – to become President.

more rhetoric....

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the State of (insert state) opposes the plan know as National Popular Vote or any other proposal to manipulate the Electoral College for the purpose

of creating a national presidential vote through an interstate compact.

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