

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TASK FORCE MEMBERS  
**FROM:** SEAN RILEY, HHS TASK FORCE DIRECTOR  
**RE:** SUNSET REVIEW – SNPS 2012  
**DATE:** OCTOBER 25, 2012

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As described in the below letter from ALEC's Senior Director of Policy, Michael Bowman, all ALEC model legislation and resolutions older than 5 years will undergo sunset review. In accordance with the procedure outlined, the HHS Executive Committee has taken the following actions and submitted the following recommendations. References in parenthesis will direct you to the appropriate page number in the separate attachment with complete text of the model or resolution. A summary of all models in order of reference number can be found below, after the letter. If you have any questions, please contact me at (202) 742-8541 or [sriley@alec.org](mailto:sriley@alec.org).

**Retain – The following policies fit within ALEC principles and are generally up-to-date. The Executive Committee voted to retain these models, transmitting them directly to the Board for consideration. No Task Force vote is necessary since the model bill or resolution is existing policy.**

*Statement of Principles on Health IT (65)*  
*High-Risk Health Insurance Pool Model Act (66)*  
*Health Savings Accounts Act (96)*  
*Long-Term Care Tax Credit Act (149)*  
*Mandated Benefits Review Act (159)*  
*Emergency Care Immunity Act (181)*  
*Uncompensated Care Liability Act (190)*  
*Organ Donation Tax Deduction Act (211)*  
*Medical Treatment Decisions Act (214)*  
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*Resolution on Transparency in Health Care (254)*  
*Discount Medical Plan Organization Model Act (256)*  
*Health Care Choice Act for States (268)*  
*Resolution on Expanding Access to Health Insurance (288)*  
*Medicaid Consumer-Directed Care Act (299)*  
*Health Care Tax Relief Equity Act (309)*

**Review or Amend – The Executive Committee recommends the following polices undergo further review by the Task Force.**

*Small Business Health Care Act (293)*  
*Resolution on State Medical Board Sunshine and Patient Protection (63)*  
*Rural Hospital Deregulation Act (92)*  
*Resolution Opposing Employer-Paid Health Care Mandates (347) [transferred from CIED]*  
*Neighborhood Child Care Center Act (1)*  
*Privatization of Child Support Enforcement Services (3)*  
*Privatization of Foster Care and Adoption (6)*  
*Parental Rights Amendment (27)*  
*Resolution on Pandemic Flu Preparedness (128)*  
*Consumer Compensation Fund Act (163)*  
*State Medical Licensing Board Act (183)*  
*Resolution on Maintaining Confidentiality of Patient-Identifiable Information (219)*  
*Resolution on Stop-Loss Insurance (292)*  
*Resolution on Federal Medicaid and Welfare Block Grants (301)*  
*Resolution Supporting Private Market Initiatives for Children's Health Insurance (302)*  
*Privatization of Welfare-to-Work Programs Act (321)*  
*Public Welfare Accountability Act (325)*  
*Welfare System Integrity Act (340)*

**Sunset – These policies are outdated, duplicative of current policy, or do not fit within ALEC principles. The Executive Committee recommends that they sunset.**

*Acknowledgement of Paternity Act (10)*  
*Child Relocation Notification Act (12)*  
*Child Visitation Dispute Mediation Act (13)*  
*Marriage Contract Act (15)*  
*Newborn Infant Protection Act (18)*  
*Parental Consent for Abortion Act (22)*  
*Resolution on Reform of Federal Foster Care Financing: Families for All (28)*  
*Resolution to End State-Enabled Newborn Testing Monopolies (30)*  
*Extended Care for Mental Health Patients (32)*  
*Vulnerable Adults Act (36)*

*Resolution on Disease Management of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) (48)*  
*Resolution on Public Education of Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) (49)*  
*Resolution on the Use of CFC'S and MDI'S (50)*  
*Resolution Calling for Reform in the FDA (52)*  
*Resolution on Preserving States' Rights to Regulate Health Insurance (54)*  
*Medical School Loan Repayment Act (56)*  
*Resolution on Anti-Trust Exemption for Physician Cartels (59)*  
*Resolution on Patient Access to Physical Therapists' Services (61)*  
*Resolution on State-Based Licensure and Regulation in the Area of Telehealth (64)*  
*Insurance Pool Act (81)*  
*An Act to be Amended to ALEC's Medical Savings Account Bill (94)*  
*Individual Medical Accounts Act (102)*  
*Blood Safety Act (106)*  
*Emergency Public Safety Measures Act (109)*  
*Emergency Services Personnel Protection Act (112)*  
*HIV Assault Act (115)*  
*HIV Partner Notification Act (117)*  
*HIV Prison Testing Act (120)*  
*HIV Testing for Insurance Act (122)*  
*Infectious Disease Prison Testing Act (125)*  
*Victims of Sexual Offenses Protection Act (131)*  
*Consumer Awareness Act of Future Premium Rates (133)*  
*Consumer Awareness Act of Long-Term Care Inflation Protection (134)*  
*Long-Term Care Equity Protection Act (137)*  
*Long-Term Care Insurance Act (139)*  
*Long-Term Care Partnership Program Resolution (147)*  
*Reverse Mortgage Enabling Act (150)*  
*Senior Financial Security Program Act (154)*  
*Elimination of Non-Federally Mandated Benefits (158)*  
*An Act Relating to the Creation and Operation of the Commission on Men (192)*  
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*Drug Utilization Review Board Act (227)*  
*Principles Regarding Prescription Drug Benefits (240)*  
*Resolution Urging Health Insurance Coverage of Experimental Drugs (252)*  
*Group Coverage Discontinuance and Replacement Model Regulation (263)*  
*Health Insurance Reform Act for Individual Coverage (270)*  
*Health Insurance Reform Act for Small Business Coverage (273)*  
*Independent External Review for Health Benefit Plans Act (279)*  
*Renewability of Individual Health Insurance Act (286)*  
*Resolution on Federal Health Insurance Reform Legislation (291)*  
*Children's Health Insurance Program Act (294)*

*Resolution Urging Congress to Create Private Financing of the Medicare Program (304)*  
*Earned Income Tax Credit for Parents (306)*  
*Young Child Tax Credit Act (310)*  
*Kinship Care Act (313)*  
*Learnfare Act (315)*  
*Minors on Welfare Residency Act (320)*  
*Proof of Custody Act (324)*  
*Residency Requirements for TANF Recipients Act (328)*  
*TANF Applicant Job Search Program (329)*  
*TANF Continued Eligibility of Benefits Act (333)*  
*TANF Limits on Benefits for Additional Children Act (336)*  
*Time Limits on TANF Benefits Act (338)*  
*Workfare Act (345)*

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To: All ALEC Task Force Members

RE: Sunset Procedures

The Board of Directors has approved a set of procedures for reviewing all ALEC Model Legislation and resolutions. All model legislation must be reviewed before every 5<sup>th</sup> year after the bill has been adopted or re-reviewed by the Task Force and the ALEC Board. All model legislation under review is eligible for sunset according to the five year sunset review process. The entire process is outlined in this packet and should answer most questions. The upcoming task force meeting at the 2012 States and Nation Policy Summit in Washington DC will have a different focus than previous task force meetings. Most task forces will be reviewing dozens of past ALEC bills and resolutions.

ALEC's Board of the Directors and staff adopted this sunset procedure to enable all ALEC bills to be reviewed and updated as needed on a reasonable basis. This process has already proved that some legislation served its purpose and is no longer needed. We believe this will result in ALEC having clear and relevant legislation and policies that legislators are proud to promote.

The following is a quick executive overview of the process:

- Staff recommends which bills should be retained, amended or sent to sunset. All recommendations are sent for review to the Task Force Executive Committee.
- The Task Force Executive Committee will review staff recommendations. Bill and resolutions approved by two thirds of the Executive Committee will be sent directly to the ALEC Board. Any bill that is amended or requested to be reviewed will be sent to the full Task Force.
- The Full Task Force will review all bills the Executive Committee recommended for review, amendment, and bills that failed to receive a two thirds majority vote.
- All Task Force recommendations regarding model bills and resolutions to be sunset or retained shall be sent to the ALEC Board of Directors.
- The ALEC Board of Directors will vote on all bills that are to either be sunset or retained.

If you have any questions about this process please either contact your Task Force Director or you may contact me directly.

Sincerely,

Michael D. Bowman  
Senior Director of Policy & Strategic Initiatives

## Five Year Sunset Model Legislation and Resolutions

All ALEC model bills and resolutions will have an original adoption date and five year sunset date which can be renewed by a vote of the Task Force Executive Committee or the full Task Force and the ALEC Board of Directors.

All bills or model resolutions that are four years from adoption date will have one year for the Task Force to review and vote on whether to extend another five years. The Task Force Director will transmit all four year old model bills and resolutions to the Task Force Executive Committee no later than 65 Days before the next Task Force Meeting.

In the 65 Day Notice ALEC Staff will make one of the following recommendations for each four year model bill or resolution to the Task Force Executive Committee.

- The policy should sunset
- The policy should be amended
- The policy should be retained

The Task Force Co Chairs may appoint a special committee to review the recommendations from the ALEC staff. Executive Committees are to vote 40 Days prior the next Task Force Meeting. The Executive Committees shall vote by phone, in person, or by any electronic means.

If a two-thirds majority of the Task Force Executive Committee votes to retain the model bill or resolution that action is to be reported to the full Task Force. The model bill or resolution will be directly transmitted to the Board for consideration. No Task Force vote is necessary since the model bill or resolution is existing policy and both the Task Force Executive Committee and the Board will vote to extend the sunset.

If a majority of the Task Force Executive Committee agrees to sunset, amend, or retain the model bill or resolution the model policy moves onto the full Task Force. The Task Force Executive Committee will transmit all model bills that are to expire as sunset or that are to be amended to the full Task Force. At the Co-Chairs discretion, any bill or resolution up for task force consideration may be placed on the consent slate that will go before the full Task Force.

Any member of the Task Force may make a motion to separate any model bill or resolution from the Consent calendar but must have an additional four members of the Task Force rise in support to second the motion. It would take a majority of the public and private sector bill to take any action on the model bill or resolution.

All model bills retained, amended, or sunset will go before the public sector board for approval before adoption as described in Section IX.

Title	Ref #	Summary
Neighborhood Child Care Center Act	(1)	Exempts non-government funded child welfare agencies from state licensure provisions for child care centers. Requires that exempt agencies comply with fire safety and health sanitation standards. Contains additional provisions for investigating child abuse.
Privatization of Child Support Enforcement Services	(3)	Requires HHS to contract for the administration, delivery, and management for child support enforcement services, allowing HHS to award contracts for child support services to private provider organizations. Outlines potential metrics and requirement for renewal. Contains optional bonus provisions.
Privatization of Foster Care and Adoption	(6)	Requires HHS to privatize foster care and adoption services. Outlines RFP requirements and payment schedule, including required bonus payments as incentive for placement.
Acknowledgement of Paternity Act	(10)	Requires hospital to provide to an unmarried newborn's mother and natural father with an opportunity to complete an affidavit acknowledging paternity. Provides the mother with written information explaining the benefits of having her child's paternity established, the availability of paternity establishment services, and the availability of child support enforcement agencies.
Child Relocation Notification Act	(12)	Requires that in any custody or visitation proceeding, advance written notice be given to either the court, the other party, or both by any party intending to relocate the permanent residence of the child at least 60 days prior to the intended relocation.
Child Visitation Dispute Mediation Act	(13)	Declares public policy to promote mediation to resolve visitation disputes. Established county level Child Visitation Offices to address visitation complaints and disputes. Offices would not have enforcement power.
Marriage Contract Act	(15)	Requires that the dissolution of a marriage will only take place by showing a preponderance of the evidence by one party of the fault of the other party which constitutes grounds for the end of a marriage. Outlines acts that constitute fault.
Newborn Infant Protection Act	(18)	Forbids medical and nutritional deprivation for newborns in all cases.
Parental Consent for Abortion Act	(22)	Requires written parental consent for minors seeking abortion. Outlines alternatives to consent, i.e. juvenile court, physician discretion.
Parental Rights Amendment	(27)	Amends constitution to grant parents the right to direct the upbringing and education of their children.

Resolution on Reform of Federal Foster Care Financing: Families for All	(28)	Urges US Congress to reform foster care, specifically to allow states to redirect foster care funds for other child welfare services.
Resolution to End State-Enabled Newborn Testing Monopolies	(30)	Urges state HHS department and governor to rescind laws excluding private labs from providing newborn screening services to hospitals and physicians.
Extended Care for Mental Health Patients	(32)	Establishes monitoring program of released mental health patients. Outlines discharge procedures, including transportation assistance, housing information, and community resources contact information.
Vulnerable Adults Act	(36)	Requires reporting of elder abuse/neglect. Violations are designated as a misdemeanor offense.
Resolution on Disease Management of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD)	(48)	Urges state HHS department to consider chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (emphysema), to use private funding to reduce financial burden on Medicaid.
Resolution on Public Education of Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV)	(49)	Urges state HHS department to provide information on immunizations and education to parents and providers on Respiratory Syncytial Virus.
Resolution on the Use of CFC'S and MDI'S	(50)	Establishes policy position of ALEC to support CFC and MDI inhalers (chlorofluorocarbons, metered dose inhalers).
Resolution Calling for Reform in the FDA	(52)	Urges US Congress on behalf of ALEC to bring products to markets as quickly as possible while preserving safety.
Resolution on Preserving States' Rights to Regulate Health Insurance	(54)	Urges US Congress not to institute federal review, oversight, or preemption of state health insurance laws.
Medical School Loan Repayment Act	(56)	Establishes loan repayment program for primary care providers practicing in medical shortage areas.
Resolution on Anti-Trust Exemption for Physician Cartels	(59)	Urges US Congress and the state not to allow individual physician antitrust exemptions.



Resolution on Patient Access to Physical Therapists' Services	(61)	Establishes position of ALEC against referral requirements for physical therapists. Establishes position of the state to seek legislation that eliminates physical therapist referral requirements.
Resolution on State Medical Board Sunshine and Patient Protection	(63)	Establishes position of ALEC to increase transparency in state medical boards.
Resolution on State-Based Licensure and Regulation in the Area of Telehealth	(64)	Urges US Congress to safeguard patient safety in telehealth.
Statement of Principles on Health IT	(65)	Outlines ALEC's principles on health IT, including that it be market-driven, based on stakeholder input, protect privacy and security, promote interoperability, and ensure accuracy. Establishes preference for reward incentives, and broad financing by health community to support health IT.
High-Risk Health Insurance Pool Model Act	(66)	Establishes high-risk pool to provide guaranteed access to health care for uninsurable citizens, with costs spread equitably among citizens of the states.
Insurance Pool Act	(81)	Establishes high-risk pool to provide guaranteed access to health care for uninsurable citizens, with costs spread equitably among citizens of the states.
Rural Hospital Deregulation Act	(92)	Relaxes regulations for rural hospitals and expands scope of practice for nurses and graduate medical students. Exempts rural hospitals from certificate of need laws, and allows unoccupied state building to be leased to health providers
An Act to be Amended to ALEC's Medical Savings Account Bill	(94)	Allows a tax credit on contributions to a medical savings account of up to 3.3% if taxpayer is not covered other than by a high deductible health plan.
Health Savings Accounts Act	(96)	Establishes HSA program in aftermath of 2004 federal enabling legislation.
Individual Medical Accounts Act	(102)	Establishes medical savings accounts, exempts interested earned from state taxation.
Blood Safety Act	(106)	All the public and private facilities or organizations that accept directly from the donor any blood, semen, tissue, or organ donation must test for blood-borne viral infections. Also allows for designated donations.

Emergency Public Safety Measures Act	(109)	Authorizes the State Department of Health, by clear and convincing evidence, to seek a court order requiring an individual to undergo blood tests for evidence of the HIV virus without a prior consent form from the individual.
Emergency Services Personnel Protection Act	(112)	Creates post exposure notification protocol for emergency services personnel, including obtaining blood samples without the patient's consent.
HIV Assault Act	(115)	Allows for civil charges against an individual who commits an HIV assault. The accused would be held civilly liable to the victim should the individual become infected with the HIV virus.
HIV Partner Notification Act	(117)	Authorize the Department of Public Health to confidentially notify partners of infected individuals of the possibility of being exposed to the HIV virus.
HIV Prison Testing Act	(120)	Provides entry and exit HIV testing for prisoners.
HIV Testing for Insurance Act	(122)	Requires insurers to obtain written consent from insured before requesting or requiring an HIV test. Provides that insurers must explain to insured what the results may be used for.
Infectious Disease Prison Testing Act	(125)	Provides entry and exit HIV and HCV testing for prisoners.
Resolution on Pandemic Flu Preparedness	(128)	Urges state HHS department to adopt state policies to better prepare for pandemic flu outbreak.
Victims of Sexual Offenses Protection Act	(131)	Authorizes the prosecuting party to request a blood sample from the person charged with a sexual offense to determine whether or not the individual has HIV.
Consumer Awareness Act of Future Premium Rates	(133)	Requires that all long-term care insurance policies must state that the policy premium rates may rise based on claims incurred by all policyholders. *see Long-Term Care Insurance Act.
Consumer Awareness Act of Long-Term Care Inflation Protection	(134)	Requires that no insurer may offer a long-term care insurance policy unless the insurer also offers the insured the option to purchase a policy that increases benefit levels over time to account for inflationary growth. *see Long-Term Care Insurance Act.

Long-Term Care Equity Protection Act	(137)	Require insurers offering long-term care policies to offer a nonforfeiture provision within the policy. *see Long-Term Care Insurance Act.
Long-Term Care Insurance Act	(139)	Establishes regulatory framework for long-term care insurance.
Long-Term Care Partnership Program Resolution	(147)	Urges Congress to extend deadline for federal/state long-term care partnership plans.
Long-Term Care Tax Credit Act	(149)	Creates state tax credit of up \$500, not to exceed tax liability, for premiums paid for long-term care insurance.
Reverse Mortgage Enabling Act	(150)	Establishes reverse mortgage program to allow seniors to access equity in their homes via a financial instrument.
Senior Financial Security Program Act	(154)	Precursor to the reverse mortgage program, allows securing a loan against assets for seniors to pay for care.
Elimination of Non-Federally Mandated Benefits	(158)	Eliminates all non-federally mandated benefits in Medicaid.
Mandated Benefits Review Act	(159)	Creates review process for all new mandate benefits in state insurance regulation, including an evaluation for efficacy and actuarial accuracy by the state insurance department. Optional language requires periodic review of existing mandates under the same procedure.
Consumer Compensation Fund Act	(163)	Reforms malpractice by creating a fund to address malpractice claims, caps noneconomic damages at \$250,000, establishes 2 year statute of limitations, protects professional for noneconomic damages in excess of \$100,000, and limits attorney's fees to 15% of the recovery. Screens lawsuits through a professional review panel.
Emergency Care Immunity Act	(181)	Provides immunity from liability for physicians, health care providers and private citizens who in good faith provide emergency care without compensation. Does not cover gross negligence.
State Medical Licensing Board Act	(183)	Reform the membership and regulations of the state's medical licensing board to include lay people.

Uncompensated Care Liability Act	(190)	Any licensed physician, any hospital, or any other health care provider who provides medical care to any patient without receiving any direct remuneration or compensation in exchange for rendering care shall not be liable for any civil damages for acts or omissions, unless such acts or omissions were grossly negligent. The provider must first indicate in writing that this care is being administered without any compensation.
An Act Relating to the Creation and Operation of the Commission on Men	(192)	Creates commission on men to raise public awareness on critical men's issues relating to health, and develop public policy.
Resolution to Establish an Office of Men's Health	(196)	Urges Congress, on behalf of ALEC to establish the federal Office of Men's Health.
State Best Practices: Legislation for the Health of Men	(198)	Policy statement and accompanying legislation on men's health.
Organ Donation Tax Deduction Act	(211)	Provides for a maximum of \$10,000 state income tax deduction for the to cover travel, lodging, and lost wages resulting from a live organ donation.
Resolution Supporting Organ Donation Education	(213)	Establishes ALEC's position that organ donor awareness saves lives, and establishes state position that it will seek to educate through driver's education curriculum.
Medical Treatment Decisions Act	(214)	Outlines procedure for advanced directives.
Prevention of Assisted Suicide Act	(218)	Makes it a state felony to assist suicide.
Resolution on Maintaining Confidentiality of Patient-Identifiable Information	(219)	Establishes state policy that giving ownership of medical information and samples to individuals is not an appropriate mechanism for protecting privacy.
Clinical Trial and Results Registries Act	(221)	Affirms that access to clinical trial information adds value to science and medicine, and that a state wishing to provide clinical trial information to citizens should link to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)-established database, ensuring that clinical trial information is timely and consistent.
Drug Liability Act	(224)	Declares that the lack of clear limitations on prescription drug liability creates disincentives for the research and development of new drugs, and provides those drug liability limitations in statutory form.

Drug Re-Importation Liability Act	(226)	Extends limited liability protections to physicians and pharmaceutical companies from damages caused by filling a prescription outside of the United States.
Drug Utilization Review Board Act	(227)	Brings states into compliance with the Federal Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1991.
Good Samaritan Drug and Medical Supply Donation Act	(236)	Encourages the donation of medical supplies and drugs by the private sector to nonprofit organizations for distribution to needy individuals without the threat of liability.
Medicaid Reimbursement for Drugs Act	(239)	Repeals the ability of current or future state Medicaid programs to restrict access to drugs with closed formularies. States that no state department, division, or agency shall maintain a drug formulary that restricts a physician's ability to treat a patient with a drug that has been approved and designated as safe and effective by the federal Food and Drug Administration.
Principles Regarding Prescription Drug Benefits	(240)	Statement of principles on federal prescription drug benefit in Medicare. Precursor to Part D.
Prior Authorization Resolution	(242)	Memorializes the state to eliminate prior authorization systems and preserve access to prescription drugs for America's indigent population.
Resolution Concerning the Prohibition of Imported Prescription Drugs	(244)	Opposes the illegal importation of non-FDA-approved prescription drugs.
Resolution on Federalism in Recycling Narcotics	(246)	Memorializes the federal government to work with states in establishing recycling and redistribution programs for narcotics in health care facilities and other established state drug repositories.
Resolution on Negative Impacts of Pharmaceutical Price Controls	(248)	Affirms that government-mandated price controls on pharmaceuticals negatively impact the quality of health care by increasing prices, curtailing competition, and stifling drug research and development.
Resolution on Prescribing Data	(250)	Commends the American Medical Association for establishing the Physician Data Restriction Program and urges the state medical society to inform all licensed physicians about the program.
Resolution on State Use Tax on Prescription Drug Samples	(251)	Recognizes that prescription drug samples allow patients new forms of therapy and provide much-needed subsidies for the uninsured, and memorializes the state to pass legislation providing a tax exemption on prescription drug samples.

Resolution Urging Health Insurance Coverage of Experimental Drugs	(252)	Calls on insurance companies to reimburse patients for the limited number of experimental drugs available from the FDA.
Resolution on Transparency in Health Care	(254)	Establishes position of the state to support health care transparency, including consumer education, and collection of quality cost data. Makes quality and cost data related to state-funded program available to state employees and beneficiaries of publicly-funded programs.
Discount Medical Plan Organization Model Act	(256)	Regulates the promotion, offer, sale, and use of discount medical plans and to facilitate the detection of and reduce the occurrence of discount medical plan organization fraud.
Group Coverage Discontinuance and Replacement Model Regulation	(263)	Requires group plans to provide notice of discontinuance or replacement, and regulates benefits in both circumstances.
Health Care Choice Act for States	(268)	Allows people to purchase quality, affordable health insurance from out of state carriers. Policies must contain conspicuous language stating that they are governed by laws of another state, including warning regarding mandated benefits and premium regulation.
Health Insurance Reform Act for Individual Coverage	(270)	Establishes medical loss ratio for states negotiated with state regulators in the individual market.
Health Insurance Reform Act for Small Business Coverage	(273)	Regulates health insurance plans offered to small employers, including non-renewal requirements, experience rating, premium increase caps, premium caps on nature of business, and portability to an individual plan not to exceed 135 percent of premiums paid under the small group plan. *see Group Coverage Discontinuance and Replacement Model Regulation.
Independent External Review for Health Benefit Plans Act	(279)	Creates independent external review process under state department of insurance that can make binding determinations on benefit plan coverage decisions.
Renewability of Individual Health Insurance Act	(286)	Prevents insurance companies from canceling individual policies due to illness or high-risk health conditions once they have been under-written.
Resolution on Expanding Access to Health Insurance	(288)	General statement of policy on health reforms, including HSAs, small group premium subsidies, list billing, high risk pools, reduced mandates, tax deductions, and vouchers.
Resolution on Federal Health Insurance Reform Legislation	(291)	Urges Congress not to preempt state health insurance laws and to not impose guaranteed issue on individual and group plans.

Resolution on Stop-Loss Insurance	(292)	Establishes position, on behalf of ALEC, to urge state legislators to oppose legislation limiting stop-loss coverage for self-funded employer plans.
Small Business Health Care Act	(293)	Exempts small group plans from mandated benefits.
Children's Health Insurance Program Act	(294)	Establishes CHIP program in the states under Medicaid in response to 1997 federal reforms.
Medicaid Consumer-Directed Care Act	(299)	Creates "cash and counseling" program to give Medicaid beneficiaries a cash to purchase the long-term care services of their own choosing. Provides a case manager to assist them in making health and financial decisions.
Resolution on Federal Medicaid and Welfare Block Grants	(301)	Urges Congress to pass federal funds to states via block grant for welfare and Medicaid.
Resolution Supporting Private Market Initiatives for Children's Health Insurance	(302)	Urges the ability to direct CHIP funds to the purchase of private health plans.
Resolution Urging Congress to Create Private Financing of the Medicare Program	(304)	Urges Congress to enact legislation that would amend the Medicare program so as to authorize the use of Private Individual Medical Accounts to assist individuals in saving the resources necessary to pay for their health care needs in retirement.
Earned Income Tax Credit for Parents	(306)	Provides for a refundable tax in the amount of four percent of the taxpayers earned income for one or more dependent child under the age of 18, and additional four percent of the taxpayers earned income if any dependent child is under the age of five at the end of the taxable year, and an additional four percent of the taxpayers earned income of the taxpayer is lawfully married to a dependent spouse. This amount shall not exceed \$12,500.
Health Care Tax Relief Equity Act	(309)	Provides state tax credits for both the purchase of individual health insurance policies and out-of-pocket medical expenses to bring costs in line with employer plans.
Young Child Tax Credit Act	(310)	Provides for a tax credit in the amount of five percent of the taxpayers earned income for dependents under the age of five, and five percent of the taxpayers earned income for a dependent spouse, not exceeding \$10,000.
Kinship Care Act	(313)	Changes welfare eligibility to include ability and willingness of relatives to provide support for dependents.

Learnfare Act	(315)	Requires that all teenagers who are included in grant of public assistance who are parents or who are residing with a natural or adoptive parent and who have not graduated from high school or received a high school equivalency diploma, attend school.
Minors on Welfare Residency Act	(320)	Requires that single, teenage parents live at home in order to receive TANF benefits.
Privatization of Welfare-to-Work Programs Act	(321)	Privatizes welfare-to-work program by directing state HHS department to contract with private organizations, while giving preference to the county.
Proof of Custody Act	(324)	Requires parent to have custody of child in order to be eligible for welfare assistance.
Public Welfare Accountability Act	(325)	Imposes financial penalties on public welfare programs that fail to meet work participation rates.
Residency Requirements for TANF Recipients Act	(328)	Requires persons receiving TANF benefits to be a resident of that state.
TANF Applicant Job Search Program	(329)	Delays TANF applications for 30 days in cases where applicant is eligible for a job search program.
TANF Continued Eligibility of Benefits Act	(333)	Allows TANF recipients to establish trust accounts and the funds for education, purchasing a home, or an initial investment in a business. Individuals would be allowed to accumulate up to \$15,000 before losing eligibility for TANF payments.
TANF Limits on Benefits for Additional Children Act	(336)	Eliminate the increment in benefits under the TANF program for which the family would otherwise be eligible as a result of the birth of a child during the period in which the family is eligible for TANF benefits.
Time Limits on TANF Benefits Act	(338)	Limits TANF benefits to 2 years.
Welfare System Integrity Act	(340)	Establishes income verification system for welfare beyond that required by federal law. Bases income verification on 14 metrics.



Workfare Act	(345)	Requires ADFC recipients to seek jobs. Pre-TANF.
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