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**A MESSAGE TO YOU ALL FROM KIMBERLEE
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Dear Friends,

I know you all have a lot going on advocating for our natural heritage and public health. If you have any juice left, please spread the word about a sinister attempt to make it easier for multinational corporations to buy our public drinking water supplies. You likely know how bad privatization is from the great documentaries like FLOW, Tapped, The Water Front, The Big Biz of Water, Blue Gold and Thirst.

Aqua

America, the force behind the bill, has wreaked havoc in North Carolina and other states by raising rates and lowering quality. This is an ALEC bill.

Senate bill 432 which puts the profits of private multinational corporations above the public's right to safe, affordable drinking water. AB554 has

already passed the assembly and SB432 may come up as early as Feb 9th for a vote. The goal is to keep SB432 from making it to the floor for a vote. Papers, radio and TV have jumped on the story that lawmakers tried to sneak through. Please engage your friends and neighbors if possible, especially if they live in a Rep senate district. The flyer contains info on current law and the changes the bill makes.

Senators Petrowski, Harsdorf, Marklein, Olson, Cowles and Moulton are considered good targets to peel away from a party line vote. Essentially, any Republican senators should be asked to vote no, and asked if they will vote no. ALL of the bill sponsors received money from Aqua America, the

multinational corporation pushing this ALEC bill. If it passes the senate, Walker should be deluged with calls, letters and emails. (List of Harsdorf listening sessions Friday and Monday below.

Here are links to stories on Aqua America, the real sponsor of the ALEC bill SB432:

<http://www.wsoctv.com/news/news/local/residents-protest-rate-hike-poor-quality-water/ncMqk/> TV story from NC

<http://www.indyweek.com/indyweek/why-aqua-north-carolina-customers-are-furious-about-their-service/Content?oid=3232822> 3-part series on NC citizens paying \$425 per month after Aqua bought their public drinking water.

<http://www.marketwatch.com/investing/stock/wtr> Investment value of drinking water

<http://cwfnc.org/what-we-do/water-justice/aqua-nc/> NGO that was founded in direct response to NC problems with Aqua

<http://midwestadvocates.org/news-events/news/proposed-bills-put-our-public-drinking-water-at-risk/> MEA and MilwaukeeRiverkeeper posts

<http://www.wisdc.org/pr012716.php> WI Democracy Campaign \$\$\$\$ all bill sponsors got \$\$ from Aqua.

<http://www.wisdc.org/pr012916.php> ALEC Bill flying around the country

Harsdorf listening sessions

Friday, February 5

11:00 AM-12:00 PM, Siren, Burnett
County Government Center, County Board
Room (7410 County Road K, Siren)

1:30 PM-2:30 PM, Amery City Hall, (118
Center Street W)

3:30 PM-4:30 PM, Baldwin Village Hall,
Board Room (400 Cedar Street)

Monday, February 8

2:00 PM-3:00 PM, River Falls, Public
Library, Lower Level Meeting Room (140
Union Street)

4:30 PM-5:30 PM, Boyceville Village
Hall, Lower Level Meeting Room (903
Main Street)

As always, THANK YOU for everything you
do!

Kim

"Ethical behavior is doing the right thing when no one else is watching - even when doing the wrong thing is legal" Aldo Leopold

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