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The Honorable Asa Hutchinson  
Governor – State of Arkansas  
State Capitol Building, Room 250  
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Governor Hutchinson:

It has come to our attention that there are several policy-related issues that need to be addressed prior to the meeting of the 92<sup>nd</sup> General Assembly in 2019. However, it is our desire to maintain the integrity and voter intent of this fiscal session by focusing strictly on appropriation bills and the budgetary matters of the state. As such, we respectfully request that you consider calling an extraordinary session of the General Assembly to address those issues that we believe are in need of immediate attention.

We are currently aware of two issues that are pressing at this time. One is the need for licensure of Pharmacy Benefit Managers as well as the establishment of regulatory authority for the Department of Insurance. The second is an issue affecting highway funding as it relates to current law regarding an open container of alcohol in a motor vehicle. I understand that you may deem additional items in need of immediate attention and appropriate for an extraordinary session.

In order to expedite a potential extraordinary session, we are requesting that members seeking to introduce a bill in an extraordinary session provide a final bill draft for review by Monday, February 26, 2018. We are also requesting that bill drafts be accompanied by the signatures of two-thirds of the members of each chamber demonstrating support for these policy changes prior to the issue being placed on the call of an extraordinary session.

Thank you for your consideration and willingness to work with our respective chambers to address the important issues facing our state.

Sincerely,

Jeremy Gillam  
Speaker of the House