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**STATE OF ARKANSAS**  
ASA HUTCHINSON  
GOVERNOR

February 12, 2018

Senator Larry Teague, Co-Chair  
Representative Lane Jean, Co-Chair  
Joint Budget Committee  
Arkansas General Assembly  
State Capitol Building  
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Co-Chairs:

Please find attached an appropriation bill for the session expenses of my office. This request reflects appropriation amounts less than those amounts established for the 2016 Fiscal Session. This bill will ensure efficient operations during the Fiscal Session of the 91<sup>st</sup> General Assembly.

I respectfully request introduction of this bill as a Joint Budget Committee Bill.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Asa Hutchinson".

Asa Hutchinson

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Attachment

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Stricken language will be deleted and underlined language will be added.

1 State of Arkansas  
2 91st General Assembly  
3 Fiscal Session, 2018  
4 By: Joint Budget Committee  
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# A Bill

## For An Act To Be Entitled

7 AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR EXPENSES OF  
8 THE GOVERNOR'S LEGISLATIVE LIAISONS DURING THE  
9 NINETY-FIRST SESSION OF THE ARKANSAS GENERAL  
10 ASSEMBLY FOR THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR FOR THE  
11 FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2018; AND FOR OTHER  
12 PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

15 AN ACT FOR THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR -  
16 LEGISLATIVE LIAISONS APPROPRIATION.

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18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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20 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - LEGISLATIVE ASSISTANCE. There is hereby  
21 appropriated, to the Office of the Governor, to be payable from the  
22 Constitutional Officers Fund, for operating expenses of the Office of the  
23 Governor for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
NO.	2017-2018
(01) MAINTENANCE, OPERATION AND EXPENSES	\$ <u>113,125</u>

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29 SECTION 2. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
30 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. LIAISONS  
31 AUTHORIZED. The Governor is hereby authorized to employ one (1) Lead  
32 Legislative Liaison who shall serve without pay but shall be entitled to per  
33 diem of up to two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00) for each day the  
34 General Assembly is in session and two (2) Legislative Liaisons who shall  
35 serve without pay but shall each be entitled to per diem of up to two hundred  
36 dollars (\$200.00) for each day the General Assembly is in session. After

1 receiving approval of the Governor, the Department of Finance and  
2 Administration - Management Services Division is hereby authorized to process  
3 payments to said Liaisons from funds authorized by this Act.  
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5 SECTION 3. SPECIAL LANGUAGE. NOT TO BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ARKANSAS  
6 CODE NOR PUBLISHED SEPARATELY AS SPECIAL, LOCAL AND TEMPORARY LAW. PAYMENT OF  
7 PER DIEM. Per diem as authorized in Section 2 of this Act shall be in effect  
8 from and after February 12, 2018.  
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10 SECTION 4. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds authorized  
11 by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency and funds  
12 made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and the  
13 restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and  
14 Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary  
15 Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal  
16 control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by  
17 the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be  
18 strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.  
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20 SECTION 5. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly  
21 that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained  
22 in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this act  
23 was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations  
24 and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by  
25 the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral  
26 testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or  
27 Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.  
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29 SECTION 6. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General  
30 Assembly that the effectiveness of this Act on the date of its passage and  
31 approval is essential to the operation of the agency for which the  
32 appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in the event of an  
33 extension of the Session, the delay in the effective date of this Act beyond  
34 the date of its passage and approval could work irreparable harm upon the  
35 proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs.  
36 Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being

1 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and  
2 safety shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its  
3 passage and approval. If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the  
4 Governor, it shall become effective on the expiration of the period of time  
5 during which the Governor may veto the bill. If the bill is vetoed by the  
6 Governor and the veto is overridden, it shall become effective on the date  
7 the last house overrides the veto.

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