



# Daily Legislative Update

90<sup>th</sup> General Assembly

Thursday, May 21, 2015

## FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

Following a press release yesterday, Governor Asa Hutchinson has scheduled a press conference for 10:30 a.m. today to announce details about a Special Legislative session he is calling to begin on May 26.

In yesterday's press release, Gov. Hutchinson said, "This limited agenda focuses on job creation and economic development, while highlighting government efficiencies that will ultimately result in savings to all Arkansas taxpayers."

AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE SESSION ARE:

1. To consider an Amendment 82 "super project" at Highland Industrial Park in Calhoun County.
2. To consider reorganization of state agencies to provide efficiencies, better services and savings:
  - a. Merging the Arkansas Department of Rural Services with the Arkansas Economic Development Commission
  - b. Merging the Arkansas Science & Technology Authority with the Arkansas Economic Development Commission
  - c. Merging the Arkansas Building Authority with the Department of Finance and Administration
  - d. Merging the Division of Land Survey and the Arkansas Geographic Information Office
3. To make a minor fix to the DWI law to assure continuation of federal highway funds

4. To ensure that state law aligns with potential changes in federal law regarding farm-equipment traffic on a new section of interstate highway
5. To correct technical errors made to bills when amendments were engrossed
6. To move the full Arkansas primary elections from May to March
7. To move the General Assembly's fiscal session from February to April
8. To honor Johnson County Deputy Sheriff Sonny Smith
9. To confirm Gubernatorial appointments

### ***LEGISLATIVE SESSION INFORMATION***

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