

HB 928 -- Adoption or Foster Care Subsidies

Sponsor: Liese

This bill changes the eligibility criteria for the receipt of an adoption or foster care subsidy. The bill:

- (1) Specifies that a subsidy is available to foster families with an income of up to 300% of the federal poverty limit;
- (2) Allows a family who adopts or acts as a foster family to more than one child or two or more siblings in the custody of the state to automatically qualify for a subsidy without having to meet the income guidelines; and
- (3) Specifies that any child in the custody of the state who is placed with a foster family is automatically eligible for assistance in the Missouri Medicaid Program and subsidized child care until the child turns 13 years old. To qualify, a foster family does not have to meet the income guidelines.