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HOUSE BILL NO. 1251

95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES SATER (Sponsor) AND WALLACE (Co-sponsor).

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 208, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to notices to parents or guardians of uninsured children.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 208, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 208.632, to read as follows:

208.632. 1. For all taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2010, each taxpayer shall indicate on the taxpayer's income tax return, or on a separate instruction list for the tax return that allows the taxpayer to provide the information required under this section, whether each dependent child claimed as an exemption on the taxpayer's income tax return has health care coverage. If any such child does not have health care coverage, and the taxpayer's household income does not exceed one hundred fifty percent of the poverty guidelines updated periodically in the Federal Register by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services under the authority of 42 U.S.C. Section 9902(2), as amended, the department of revenue shall provide notice to such taxpayer that the uninsured dependent child may qualify for health insurance under the state children's health insurance program (SCHIP) authorized in sections 208.631 to 208.657.

2. The notice shall be developed by the department of social services, and shall include information on enrolling the child in the program. No notice relating to the state children's health insurance program shall be provided to the taxpayer under this section other than the notice developed by the department of social services under this section.

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

16 **3. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, no penalty shall be**
17 **assessed upon any taxpayer who fails to provide or provides any inaccurate information**
18 **required under this section.**

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