HB 793 -- Renewal of Children's Public Assistance Benefits

Sponsor: Nance

This bill requires the Department of Social Services to provide a pre-populated form, completed by the department based on all available information, and a notice to the parent or caretaker relative of a child eligible for MO HealthNet or State Children's Health Insurance Program benefits that the child's eligibility will be renewed and continued based on the available information unless the parent or relative provides other information to the department. If there are no changes in the information, such as income or family composition, the parent or relative is not required to send the form back, and the department must renew the child's eligibility through electronic or other means unless sufficient information is not in the state's possession and cannot be acquired from other sources without the participation of the applicant or his or her parent or relative.