

## OPINION SUMMARY

### MISSOURI COURT OF APPEALS EASTERN DISTRICT

#### DIVISION FOUR

M.A.H.,	)	No. ED100636
	)	
Petitioner/Appellant,	)	Appeal from the Circuit Court of the
	)	St. Louis County
vs.	)	
	)	Honorable Michael Burton
MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF	)	
SOCIAL SERVICES, FAMILY	)	
SUPPORT DIVISION,	)	
	)	
Respondent.	)	Filed: August 19, 2014

Claimant M.A.H. appeals the ruling of the Director of the Family Support Division of the Missouri Department of Social Services (“Director”) that her household was ineligible for food stamp benefits.

AFFIRMED.

DIVISION FOUR HOLDS: The Director had subject-matter jurisdiction to render a decision in each of M.A.H.’s three administrative hearings. *See J.C.W. ex rel. Webb v. Wyciskalla*, 275 S.W.3d 249, 253 (Mo. banc 2009); § 208.080.7, R.S.Mo. (2000). The Director did not ignore M.A.H.’s evidence of the cost of her health insurance premiums. Rather, the Director chose not to accord this evidence weight, which the fact-finder is free to do. *See Sanders v. Firemen’s Ret. Sys.*, 393 S.W.3d 135, 137 (Mo. App. E.D. 2013); *Lewis v. Kan. Univ. Med. Ctr.*, 356 S.W.3d 796, 801 (Mo. App. W.D. 2011). We affirm the Director’s ruling.

Opinion by: Lisa S. Van Amburg, J.  
Patricia L. Cohen, J., and Philip M. Hess, J., concur.

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