

474A.02 DEFINITIONS.

Subdivision 1. **Terms defined.** For the purposes of this chapter, the terms defined in this section shall have the meanings given them.

Subd. 2. **Annual volume cap.** "Annual volume cap" means the aggregate dollar amount of obligations constituting "private activity bonds" under federal tax law and bearing interest excluded from gross income for purposes of federal income taxation which, under the provisions of federal tax law, may be issued in one year by issuers. The commissioner shall administer the volume cap allocations for obligations permitted under the federal American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, whether taxable or tax-exempt, in accordance with orders of the commissioner.

Subd. 2a. **Bonding authority.** "Bonding authority" means all or a portion of the annual volume cap.

Subd. 2b. **Carryforward.** "Carryforward" means the ability to issue obligations in a year subsequent to the year in which an allocation of bonding authority was obtained under this chapter as provided in section 146(f) of federal tax law.

Subd. 3. [Repealed, 1986 c 465 art 1 s 32]

Subd. 4. **City.** "City" means a statutory or home rule charter city.

Subd. 5. [Repealed, 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 5a. **Commissioner.** "Commissioner" means the commissioner of management and budget.

Subd. 6. **Department; Department of Management and Budget.** "Department" means the Department of Management and Budget.

Subd. 7. **Entitlement issuer.** "Entitlement issuer" means an issuer to which an allocation is made under section 474A.03, subdivision 2a.

Subd. 8. **Federal tax law.** "Federal tax law" means those provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, that limit the aggregate amount of obligations of a specified type or types which may be issued by an issuer during a calendar year whose interest is excluded from gross income for purposes of federal income taxation.

Subd. 8a. **Housing pool.** "Housing pool" means the amount of the annual volume cap allocated under section 474A.061 which is available for mortgage credit certificates or the issuance of residential rental project bonds or mortgage bonds.

Subd. 9. [Repealed, 1986 c 465 art 1 s 32; 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 10. [Repealed, 1986 c 465 art 1 s 32; 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 11. [Repealed, 1986 c 465 art 1 s 32; 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 12. **Issuer.** "Issuer" means any entitlement issuer, state issuer, or other issuer.

Subd. 13. [Repealed, 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 13a. **Small issue pool.** "Small issue pool" means the amount of the annual volume cap allocated under section 474A.061, that is available for the issuance of enterprise zone facility bonds authorized under Public Law 103-66, section 13301, small issue bonds to finance

manufacturing projects, the agricultural development bond beginning farmer and agricultural business enterprise loan program authorized in sections 41C.01 to 41C.13, and student loan bonds issued by the Minnesota Office of Higher Education.

Subd. 14. **Manufacturing project.** "Manufacturing project" means any facility which is used in the manufacturing or production of tangible personal property, including the processing resulting in a change in the condition of the property, or in the manufacturing, creation, or production of intangible property, including any patent, copyright, formula, process, design, know-how, format, or other similar item.

Subd. 15. [Repealed, 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 16. [Repealed, 1986 c 465 art 1 s 32]

Subd. 17. [Repealed, 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 18. **Notice of entitlement allocation.** "Notice of entitlement allocation" means a notice provided to an entitlement issuer under section 474A.04, subdivision 5.

Subd. 19. **Other issuer.** "Other issuer" means an entity other than an entitlement issuer or state issuer which may issue obligations subject to an annual volume cap, including the University of Minnesota, a city, town, federally recognized American Indian tribe or subdivision located in Minnesota, housing and redevelopment authority referred to in sections 469.001 to 469.047, or a body authorized to exercise the powers of a housing and redevelopment authority, a port authority referred to in sections 469.048 to 469.089, or a body authorized to exercise the powers of a port authority, an economic development authority referred to in sections 469.090 to 469.108, an area or municipal redevelopment agency referred to in sections 469.109 to 469.123, a county, or municipal authority or agency established under special law, or an entity issuing on behalf of the foregoing.

Subd. 20. [Repealed, 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 20a. **Permanently issued.** Obligations are "permanently issued" if either (1) the obligations have been issued under terms and conditions such that the proceeds are available for the purpose for which they were issued, or (2) ten percent of the proceeds of the obligations, excluding costs of issuance, have been disbursed for the purpose for which they were issued.

Subd. 21. **Preliminary resolution.** "Preliminary resolution" means a resolution adopted by the governing body or board of the issuer, or in the case of the Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation Board by the commissioner. The resolution must express a preliminary intention of the issuer to issue obligations for a specific project, identify the proposed project, and disclose the proposed amount of qualified bonds to be issued. Preliminary resolutions for mortgage bonds and student loan bonds need not identify a specific project.

Subd. 22. [Repealed, 1986 c 465 art 1 s 32; 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 22a. **Public facilities pool.** "Public facilities pool" means the amount of the annual volume cap allocated under section 474A.061, which is available for the issuance of public facility bonds.

Subd. 22b. **Public facilities project.** "Public facilities project" means any publicly owned facility, or facility owned by a nonprofit organization that is used for district heating or cooling, that is eligible to be financed with the proceeds of public facilities bonds as defined under section 474A.02, subdivision 23a.

Subd. 23. [Repealed, 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 23a. **Qualified bonds.** "Qualified bonds" means the specific type or types of obligations that are subject to the annual volume cap. Qualified bonds include the following types of obligations as defined in federal tax law:

(a) "public facility bonds" means "exempt facility bonds" as defined in federal tax law, except for residential rental project bonds, which are those obligations issued to finance airports, docks and wharves, mass commuting facilities, facilities for the furnishing of water, sewage facilities, solid waste disposal facilities, facilities for the local furnishing of electric energy or gas, local district heating or cooling facilities, and qualified hazardous waste facilities. New bonds and other obligations are ineligible to receive state allocations or entitlement authority for public facility projects under this section if they have been issued:

- (1) for the purpose of refinancing, refunding, or otherwise defeasing existing debt; and
- (2) more than one calendar year prior to the date of application;

(b) "residential rental project bonds" which are those obligations issued to finance qualified residential rental projects;

(c) "mortgage bonds";

(d) "small issue bonds" issued to finance manufacturing projects and the acquisition or improvement of agricultural real or personal property under sections 41C.01 to 41C.13;

(e) "student loan bonds" issued by or on behalf of the Minnesota Office of Higher Education;

(f) "redevelopment bonds";

(g) "governmental bonds" with a nonqualified amount in excess of \$15,000,000 as set forth in section 141(b)5 of federal tax law; and

(h) "enterprise zone facility bonds" issued to finance facilities located within empowerment zones or enterprise communities, as authorized under Public Law 103-66, section 13301.

Subd. 23b. **Rent.** "Rent" means the total monthly cost of occupancy payable directly by the tenant and the cost of any utilities, other than telephone. It does not include a charge for a service that is not required as a condition of occupancy.

Subd. 23c. **Single-room occupancy unit.** "Single-room occupancy unit" means an enclosed dwelling space which does not include within the space a separate bedroom and is suitable for occupancy by one individual person capable of independent living.

Subd. 24. [Repealed, 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 25. [Repealed, 1986 c 465 art 1 s 32; 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 26. **State issuer.** "State issuer" means the state of Minnesota; the commissioner of Iron Range resources and rehabilitation; or other agency, department, board, or commission of the state, that is authorized to issue obligations and has statewide jurisdiction.

Subd. 26a. **Unified pool.** "Unified pool" means the amount of the annual volume cap allocated under section 474A.091 that is available for the issuance of qualified bonds.

Subd. 27. [Repealed, 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 28. [Repealed, 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

Subd. 29. [Repealed, 1987 c 268 art 16 s 45]

History: *1986 c 465 art 1 s 10; 1987 c 268 art 16 s 1-21; 1987 c 312 art 1 s 26 subd 2; 1989 c 209 art 2 s 46; 1989 c 335 art 1 s 250; 1990 c 552 s 2-4; 1991 c 332 s 19,20; 1991 c 346 s 3-10; 1994 c 527 s 1-3; 1999 c 189 s 1; 2001 c 214 s 13-17; 2005 c 107 art 2 s 60; 2009 c 88 art 6 s 21,22; 2009 c 101 art 2 s 109*