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**165.01 DEFINITIONS.**

Subdivision 1. **Scope.** For the purposes of this chapter, the terms defined in this section and section 160.02 have the meanings given them.

Subd. 2. **AASHTO manual.** "The Manual for Bridge Evaluation," published by the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials, is incorporated by reference.

Subd. 3. **Bridge.** "Bridge" is defined as a structure, including supports erected over a depression or an obstruction, such as water, a highway, or a railway, having a track or passageway for carrying traffic or other moving loads, and having an opening measured horizontally along the center of the roadway of ten feet or more between undercopings of abutments, between the spring line of arches, or between the extreme ends of openings for multiple boxes. Bridge also includes multiple pipes where the clear distance between openings is less than one-half of the smaller contiguous opening. This definition of a bridge includes only those railroad and pedestrian bridges over a public highway or street.

Subd. 4. **National Bridge Inspection Standards (NBIS).** "NBIS" means standards established by the Federal Highway Administration in Code of Federal Regulations, title 23, part 650, subpart C, incorporated by reference.

**History:** 1959 c 500 art 6 s 1; 2008 c 287 art 1 s 19; 2012 c 287 art 3 s 13