

135.1 Definitions.

For the purposes of chapter 155 and Title IV, subtitle 2, excluding chapters 142B, 145B, and 146, unless otherwise defined:

1. "*Director*" shall mean the director of public health.
2. "*Health officer*" shall mean the physician who is the health officer of the local board of health.
3. "*Local board*" shall mean the local board of health.
4. "*Physician*" means a person licensed to practice medicine and surgery, osteopathic medicine and surgery, osteopathy, chiropractic, podiatry, or optometry under the laws of this state; but a person licensed as a physician and surgeon shall be designated as a "physician" or "surgeon", a person licensed as an osteopathic physician and surgeon shall be designated as an "osteopathic physician" or "osteopathic surgeon", a person licensed as an osteopath shall be designated as an "osteopathic physician", a person licensed as a chiropractor shall be designated as a "chiropractor", a person licensed as a podiatrist shall be designated as a "podiatric physician", and a person licensed as an optometrist shall be designated as an "optometrist". A definition or designation contained in this subsection shall not be interpreted to expand the scope of practice of such licensees.
5. "*Rules*" shall include regulations and orders.
6. "*Sanitation officer*" shall mean the police officer who is the permanent sanitation and quarantine officer and who is subject to the direction of the local board of health in the execution of health and quarantine regulations.
7. "*State department*" or "*department*" shall mean the Iowa department of public health.

[S13, § 2583-b; C24, 27, 31, 35, 39, § **2181**; C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, § 135.1]

86 Acts, ch 1245, § 1101; 88 Acts, ch 1199, §1; 94 Acts, ch 1023, §10; 95 Acts, ch 108, § 2; 96 Acts, ch 1036, §1; 96 Acts, ch 1212, §15