

**331.101 Definitions.**

As used in [this chapter](#), unless the context otherwise requires:

1. “*Amendment*” means a revision or repeal of an existing ordinance or code of ordinances.
2. “*Auditor*” means the county auditor or a deputy auditor or employee designated by the county auditor.
3. “*Board*” means the board of supervisors of a county.
4. “*Book*”, “*record*”, and “*register*” include any mode of permanent recording including but not limited to, card files, microfilm or microfiche, electronic records and the like.
5. “*Charter*” means a formal document establishing the functions, powers, organization, structure, privileges, rights, and duties of county government not inconsistent with state law.
6. “*Clerk*” means the clerk of the district court or the clerk’s designee.
7. “*Commission*” means a body of eligible electors authorized to study, review, analyze, and recommend an alternative form of county government.
8. “*County attorney*” means the county attorney or a deputy county attorney or assistant county attorney designated by the county attorney.
9. “*Measure*” means an ordinance, amendment, resolution, or motion.
10. “*Ordinance*” means a county law of a general and permanent nature.
11. “*Recorded vote*” means a record, roll call vote.
12. “*Recorder*” means the county recorder or a deputy recorder or employee designated by the county recorder.
13. “*Resolution*” or “*motion*” means a statement of policy or an order for action to be taken.
14. “*Sheriff*” means the county sheriff or a deputy sheriff designated by the sheriff.
15. “*State law*” includes the Constitution of the State of Iowa and state statutes.
16. “*Supervisor*” means a member of the board of supervisors.
17. “*Treasurer*” means the county treasurer or a deputy treasurer or employee designated by the county treasurer.

[C54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §343.13; S81, §331.101; 81 Acts, ch 117, §100]  
88 Acts, ch 1229, §2; 90 Acts, ch 1233, §23

Referred to in [§137.6](#), [911.4](#)