

**331.461 Definitions.**

As used in this part, unless the context otherwise requires:

1. “*Combined county enterprise*” means two or more county enterprises combined and operated as a single enterprise.
2. “*County enterprise*” means any of the following:
  - a. Airports and airport systems.
  - b. Works and facilities useful and necessary for the collection, treatment, purification, and disposal in a sanitary manner of the liquid and solid waste, sewage, and industrial waste of the county, including sanitary disposal projects as defined in [section 455B.301](#) and sanitary sewage systems, and including the acquisition, establishment, construction, purchase, equipment, improvement, extension, operation, maintenance, reconstruction, and repair of the works and facilities within or without the limits of the county, and including works and facilities to be jointly used by the county and other political subdivisions.
  - c. Swimming pools and golf courses, including their acquisition, establishment, construction, purchase, equipment, improvement, extension, operation, maintenance, reconstruction, and repair.
  - d. The equipment, enlargement, and improvement of a county public hospital previously established and operating under [chapter 347](#), including acquisition of the necessary lands, rights-of-way, and other property, subject to approval by the board of hospital trustees. However, notice of the proposed bond issue shall be published at least once each week for two consecutive weeks and if, within thirty days following the date of the first publication, a petition requesting an election on the proposal and signed by eligible electors of the county equal to at least twenty percent of the votes cast at the preceding election for governor is filed with the county auditor, the proposal is subject to the election requirements in [section 331.442, subsections 2, 3, and 4](#), for general county purpose bonds. Bonds issued under this paragraph shall mature in not more than thirty years from date of issuance.
  - e. In a county with a population of less than one hundred fifty thousand, a county hospital established under [chapter 37](#) or [347A](#), including its acquisition, construction, equipment, enlargement, and improvement, and including necessary lands, rights-of-way, and other property. However, bonds issued under this paragraph shall mature in not more than thirty years from date of issuance, and are subject to the notice and election requirements of bonds issued under paragraph “d”.
  - f. A waterworks or single benefited water district under [section 357.35](#), including land, easements, rights-of-way, fixtures, equipment, accessories, improvements, appurtenances, and other property necessary or useful for the operation of the waterworks or district.
  - g. Housing for persons who are elderly or persons with disabilities.
3. “*Gross revenue*” means all income and receipts derived from the operation of a county enterprise or combined county enterprise.
4. “*Net revenues*” means gross revenues less operating expenses.
5. “*Operating expense*” means salaries, wages, cost of maintenance and operation, materials, supplies, insurance, and all other items normally included under recognized accounting practices, but does not include allowances for depreciation in the value of physical property.
6. “*Pledge order*” means a promise to pay out of the net revenues of a county enterprise or combined county enterprise, which is delivered to the contractors or other persons in payment of all or part of the cost of the project.
7. “*Project*” means the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, extending, remodeling, improving, repairing, and equipping of all or part of a county enterprise or combined county enterprise within or without the boundaries of the county.
8. “*Rates*” means rates, fees, tolls, rentals, and charges for the use of or service provided by a county enterprise or combined county enterprise.
9. “*Revenue bond*” means a negotiable bond issued by a county and payable from the net revenues of a county enterprise or combined county enterprise.

[S81, §331.461; [81 Acts, ch 117, §460](#); [82 Acts, ch 1104, §49](#)]

2a. [C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §330.14; S81, §331.461(1); [81 Acts, ch 117, §460](#)]

b. [C35, §6066-f1, -f5, -f8; C39, §**6066.24 – 6066.32**; C46, 50, 54, 58, §394.1, 394.5 – 394.9; C62, 66, 71, 73, §394.1, 394.5 – 394.9, 394.12; C75, 77, §332.44; C79, 81, §332.44, 332.52; S81, §331.461(1); [81 Acts, ch 117, §460](#)]

c. [C35, §6066-f1, 6066-f3, 6066-f6 – 6066-f8; C39, §**6066.24, 6066.26, 6066.29 – 6066.32**; C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, §394.1, 394.3, 394.6 – 394.9; C71, 73, §394.1, 394.3, 394.6 – 394.9, 394.13; C75, 77, 79, 81, §332.44; S81, §331.461(1); [81 Acts, ch 117, §460](#)]

d. [C73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §347.27; S81, §331.461(1); [81 Acts, ch 117, §460](#)]

e. [C50, 54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §347A.1 – 347A.4; S81, §331.461(1); [81 Acts, ch 117, §460](#)]

f. [C79, 81, §332.52; S81, §331.461(1); [81 Acts, ch 117, §460](#); [82 Acts, ch 1219, §2](#)]

**1, 3 – 9.** [S81, §331.461(2 – 9); [81 Acts, ch 117, §460](#)]  
[99 Acts, ch 76, §1, 2](#); [2001 Acts, ch 56, §24](#); [2004 Acts, ch 1072, §7](#); [2005 Acts, ch 37, §5](#);  
[2010 Acts, ch 1079, §13](#)

Referred to in [§6B.2D, 23A.2, 331.465, 347.7, 347A.1, 357.35, 358.25](#)