187.102 Definitions.

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

1. *"Agricultural commodity"* means an animal or plant, or raw material originating from an animal or plant.

2. *"Component"* means an agricultural commodity that is combined to form a product during processing.

3. *"Department"* means the department of agriculture and land stewardship.

4. *"Farm"* means land and associated structures used to produce an agricultural commodity.

5. *a.* *"Financial assistance"* means support provided by the department to an eligible business under this chapter from moneys or other assets legally available to the department.

b. *"Financial assistance"* includes any form of grant, low-interest loan, or forgivable loan.

6. *"Food item"* means an agricultural commodity, or an item processed from an agricultural commodity, that is fit for human consumption.

7. *"Fund"* means the choose Iowa fund created in section 187.201.

8. *"Horticulture item"* means any of the following:

a. A nursery, floral, or greenhouse plant.

b. A product processed from a nursery, floral, or greenhouse plant, including a seed, rooting, cutting, tissue culture, seedling, or other propagation material.

9. *"Located in"* means the place or places at which a business's operations are located and where at least ninety-eight percent of the business's employees work, or where employees that are paid at least ninety-eight percent of the business's payroll work.

10. *"Natural fiber item"* means fiber originating from an agricultural commodity for use in processing, including manufacturing into a textile, apparel, or other similar product.

11. *"Process"* means to prepare a product that includes an agricultural commodity alone or as a component.

12. *a.* *"Product"* means an agricultural commodity that in its raw or processed state is moveable at the time of its retail sale.

b. *"Product"* includes but is not limited to a food item, horticulture item, or natural fiber item.

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