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| Authorized Officer | Means any individual required or permitted, alone or with others, to execute on behalf of the district a certificated registered public obligation or a writing relating to an uncertificated registered public obligation. |
| Board | Governing board of any public corporation, including the board of county commissioners, the city council, the board of city commissioners, the school board, the board of township supervisors and the park board. |
| Bonds | Includes bonds, notes, warrants, debenture, certificates of indebtedness, temporary bonds, temporary notes, interim receipts, interim certificates and all instruments or obligations evidencing or represent indebtedness, or evidencing representing borrowing of money. It could also mean a charge, lien or encumbrance on specific revenues, income or property of a district including all revenue bonds, special improvement warrants, refunding improvement bonds and warrants and all other instruments and obligations, whether payable from a special fund or supported by a pledge of the full faith and credit of the body issuing the same. |
| Ceiling | Is the dollar amount applicable to ND for any calendar year for the issuance of tax-exempt private activity bonds, as determined under the Tax Reform Act. |
| Certificates of Indebtedness | School districts can borrow against revenues through the issuance of bonds. |
| Certificated Registered Public Obligation | Means a registered public obligation which is represented by an instrument. |
| Clerk | Means the person who performs for any public corporation the duties ordinarily performed by a clerk, including the county auditor, the township clerk and the business manager of the school district. |
| Code | Means Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended. |
| Financial Institution | Included state and national banks insured by the FDIC, state or federally chartered saving and loans insured by the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation, the state or federally chartered credit unions insured by the National Credit Union Administration. |

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| Financial Intermediary | Is a bank, broker, clearing corporation, or other person or the nominee of any of them, which maintains registered public obligations accounts for its customers |
| Governing Body | Means a board of county commissioners, city council, board of any city commissioners, school board of any school district, and the similarly acting board of any municipality. |
| Governmental Unit | Is any political subdivision of ND or other authority in the state including any state agencies, instrumentalities or authorities having the authority to issue private activity bonds. |
| Initial Resolution | Means any resolution or ordinance that is instituted for the purpose of the district to borrow money and issue bonds. |
| Issuer | Means a public entity which issues an obligation, In other words, a school distinct issuing a bond. |
| Municipality | Means a county, city township, public school district, park district, recreation service district, or rural fire protection district that is empowered to borrow money and issue bonds. |
| Obligation | An agreement of public entity to pay principal and interest on the obligation and includes a share, participation, or other interest in any such agreement. In other words, the district agrees to pay the payments plus any fees of the bond. |
| Official Actions | Actions by statute, order ordinance, resolution, contract, or other authorized means by which the issuer provides for issuance of a registered public obligation. In other words, the district must follow NDCC when issuing bonds. |
| Official or Official Body | Means the officer that is empowered under NDCC to provide for original issuance of an obligation of the issuer by defining the obligation and its terms, conditions and other incidents, the successor of any such official body and other people as shall be assigned duties of the official body with respect to a registered public obligation under the law. In other words the school board and business manager and their successors. |

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| Political Subdivision | means a local governmental unit created by statute or by the Constitution of ND for local governmental or other public purposes. |
| Population of a Municipality | Means its population according to the last officially publish US or state census, whichever was taken last. |
| Private Activity Bond | Means a tax-exempt evidence of indebtedness which is a private activity bond under the Tax Reform Act. |
| Public Body | Includes any county, city, township, school district irrigation district, drainage district, special improvement district, and any other political or governmental subdivision of ND and any board, commission, agency or officer thereof. |
| Public Corporation | Includes county, city, township, school district, and any body corporate except a private corporation |
| Public Entity | Means any entity, department, or agency which is empowered under NDCC to issue obligations any interest with respect to which may be provided an exemption for the income tax. |
| Public Funds | Funds derived from taxation, fees, penalties, sale of bonds, or from any other source, which belong to and are the property of a public corporation or of the state, and all sinking funds of such public corporation or of the state and all funds from whatever source derived and for whatever purpose to be expended. This excludes activity funds. |
| Recorded | Means copied at length in the record book. In other words - minutes. |
| Registered Public Obligation | Means an obligation issued by a public entity pursuant to a system of registration. In other words, a bond issued by a school district that is registered. |
| Revenues | (1) Uncollected taxes. (2) Amounts to be received from distribution of federal moneys, including currently existing Bureau of Indian Affairs contracts. (3) Uncollected taxes the current year and the preceding 4 years that have been levied, but not paid. |

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| State | Includes the state of ND and any institution, industry, enterprise or agency of the state. |
| System of Registration | Is a plan that provides, with respect to a bond - a person is specified that is entitled to the bond and the right is represents; and transfer of the bond and the rights it represents may be registered upon the books maintained for that purpose by or on behalf of the issuer. In other words, the business manager keeps the books for the bonds of the district. |
| Tax Reform Act | Is the Tax Reform Act of 1986 and any federal regulation issued relating to the allocation of ND's ceiling for the issuance of tax-exempt private activity bonds. |
| Taxing District | Means any county, city, school district, township park district, water conservation and flood control district, Garrison Diversion Conservancy district, county park district, joint count par district or irrigation district in ND |
| Uncertificated Registered Public Obligation | Means a registered public obligation which is not represented by an instrument. |
| Value of Taxable Property | The assessed valuation of all taxable property in the school district. |
| Warrant | An order drawn by the proper taxing district official on the treasurer. In other words - For school districts it will be the business manager. The warrant or check when signed by you and other authorized signer, becomes a check on the district bank. |