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74-99b63. Definitions. As used in the bioscience research and development voucher program act, and amendments thereto, the following words and phrases have the following meanings unless a different meaning clearly appears from the content:

(a) "Authority" means the Kansas bioscience authority as created by K.S.A. 74-99b04, and amendments thereto.

(b) "Bioscience" means, without limitation, the use of compositions, methods and organisms in cellular and molecular research, development and manufacturing processes for such diverse areas as pharmaceuticals, medical therapeutics, medical diagnostics, medical devices, medical instruments, biochemistry, microbiology, veterinary medicine, plant biology, agriculture, industrial, environmental and homeland security applications of bioscience and future developments in the biosciences. Bioscience includes biotechnology and life sciences.

(c) "Bioscience research" means any investigation for the advancement of scientific or technological knowledge of bioscience and any activity that seeks to utilize, synthesize, or apply existing knowledge, information or resources to the resolution of a specific problem, question or issue of bioscience.

(d) "Bioscience research institutions" means all universities and colleges located in the state of Kansas conducting bioscience research.

(e) "Biotechnology" means, without limitation, those fields focusing on technological developments in such areas as molecular biology, genetic engineering, genomics, proteomics, physiomics, nanotechnology, biodefense, biocomputing, bioinformatics and future developments associated with biotechnology.

(f) "Life sciences" means the areas of medical sciences, pharmaceutical sciences, biological sciences, zoology, botany, horticulture, ecology, toxicology, organic chemistry, physical chemistry, physiology and any future advances associated with life sciences.

(g) "Qualified company" means a Kansas company conducting bioscience research and development that may be granted a funding voucher.

(h) "State" means the state of Kansas.

(i) "This act" means the bioscience research and development voucher program act. History: L. 2004, ch. 112, § 36; L. 2011, ch. 104, § 40; July 1.