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Subject: Taking private property for public use, payment

PROPOSAL 14

Sec. 1. Article 2nd of Chapter I of the Vermont Constitution is amended to read:

ARTICLE 2nd. [PRIVATE PROPERTY SUBJECT TO PUBLIC USE;
OWNER TO BE PAID]

That property ought to be subservient to public uses when necessity requires it, nevertheless, whenever any person's property **[is]** or rights in property are taken for the use of the public, depriving the owner thereof of reasonable expectations for its use or exchange, the owner ought to receive an equivalent in money.