

Reference:

Article I, Section 2

Ballot Title:

PROPERTY RIGHTS: SHOULD GOVERNMENT COMPENSATE OWNERS WHEN DAMAGING THE VALUE OF HOMES OR OTHER PROPERTY?

Ballot Summary:

This amendment entitles an owner to full compensation when government action damages the value of the owner's home, farm, or other vested private property right or interest therein. Excepts administration and enforcement of criminal laws. Owners - including natural persons and businesses - are entitled to have full compensation determined by six-member jury trial without first having to go through administrative proceedings. This amendment becomes effective the day after voter approval.

Full Text:

Insert the underlined words in Article I, Section 2:

Basic Rights – All natural persons are equal before the law and have inalienable rights, among which are the right to enjoy and defend life liberty, to pursue happiness, to be rewarded for industry, and to acquire, possess and protect property; except that the ownership, inheritance, disposition and possession of real property by aliens ineligible for citizenship may be regulated or prohibited by law. No person shall be deprived of any right because of race, religion or physical handicap. Any exercise of the police power, excepting the administration and enforcement of criminal laws, which damages the value of a vested private property right, or any interest therein, shall entitle the owner to full compensation determined by jury trial with a jury of not fewer than six persons and without prior resort of administrative remedies. This amendment shall take effect the day after approval by the voters.