

1 sovereign from suit which follows later, you have what
2 is unquestionably the most proliferate breeder of liti-
3 gation that has come up in many, many years.

4 I should like to inquire what is meant by
5 damage? Does this mean that if a road is relocated, the
6 owner of the business which is located on the old road
7 can go to the state seeking compensation because the
8 value of his property as a business has been diminished
9 because the state has relocated?

10 Does it mean that if the grade of a road is
11 changed, that you are damaged? Does it mean that if a
12 power company erects a line near your property and your
13 view is not quite what it used to be, you are damaged
14 because your property is less desirable, less useful or
15 less valuable, which are the definitions used by the
16 states in which this provision is in effect?

17 Much of the damage which results in situations
18 of this kind cannot possibly rise above the area of
19 speculation and speculation is an element of damage which
20 has always been rejected in these courts.

21 The State Road Commission of Maryland, I