

1 VSA chapter 3- Construction of Statutes

- 1 VSA § 213. Pending suits unaffected
- No act of the General Assembly shall affect a suit begun or pending at the time of its passage, except acts regulating practice in court, relating to the competency of witnesses, or relating to amendments of process or pleadings.

- 1 VSA § 214. Effect of amendment or repeal
- (b) The amendment or repeal of an act or statutory provision, except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, shall not:
 - (1) affect the operation of the act or provision prior to the effective date of the amendment or repeal thereof;
 - (2) affect any right, privilege, obligation, or liability acquired, accrued, or incurred prior to the effective date of the amendment or repeal;
 - (3) affect any violation of the act or provision amended or repealed, or any penalty or forfeiture incurred thereunder, prior to the effective date of the amendment or repeal;
 - (4) affect any suit, remedy, or proceeding to enforce or give effect to any right, privilege, obligation, or liability acquired, incurred, or accrued under the amended or repealed provision prior to the effective date of the amendment or repeal; and the suit, remedy, or proceeding may be instituted, prosecuted, or continued as if the act or provision had not been repealed or amended.

Potential Issue: By notwithstanding these statutes there is a risk of violating the separation of powers doctrine