OF THE PRINCIPLE OF UTILITY

1. The definition of utility

By utility is meant that property in any object, whereby it tends to produce benefit.

1. The principle on which it is based

It is based on the principle in which the tendency it has to augment the happiness of the community is greater than any it has to diminish it.

1. The way in which utility can affect policies

A measure of government may be said to be conformable to or dictated by the principle of utility, when the tendency which it has to augment the happiness of the community is greater than any which it has to diminish it.