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clearly reveals, however, that many doctors are convinced that laetrile is capable of playing a legitimate and significant role in the treatment of cancer and are perfectly willing to administer it on that basis. Laetrile, by many here today, will be labeled a poison, that it releases cyanide and has been known to kill cancer patients. This argument is a recent objection and not one of longstanding use, neither is it supportable.

SPEAKER MARVEL: You have two minutes left.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Judge Bohanon summarized this argument in his opinion and I will give you practically parts of the whole opinion but I don't want to go into it in detail. "It is only within the context of FDA's creation of this record, the recent public hearing on laetrile, that the specter of laetrile's toxicity has ever been raised. The drug's reputation for nontoxicity, even among its opponents, is amply documented. FDA's allegations of toxicity appears to be more of an afterthought offered to bolster their other conclusions rather than a reasoned conclusion based on a detached, impartial view of the record." And this is an opinion of Judge Bohanon. Judge Bohanon documents further evidence regarding the nontoxicity of laetrile and I would like to give a few of his remarks here. "The record and the law reasonably support but one conclusion. Laetrile has been commercially used and sold in the United States for the treatment of cancer for well over twenty-five years during which time it has been generally recognized by qualified experts as safe for such use. While the record discloses certain differences of opinion on this issue, the vast amount of practical experience of actual experiments and users in the administration of laetrile, both parenteral and orally, has established its nontoxicity. In the only laboratory study of record," and this is still Judge Bohanon's remarks.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Your time is up.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Thank you. I have more here and I would hope that someone else might defer some of their time to me.

SPEAKER MARVEL: You have amendments to the Labeledz amendment?

CLERK: Yes, sir, I do.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay.