

April 27, 1979

LB 382

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Simon moves to amend the Labeledz amendment by striking section 2.

SENATOR SIMON: Mr. President, members of the body, if the Labeledz amendment is adopted, that, in fact, will become the bill and we earlier adopted Simon amendment #1 which is a statement of policy this Legislature does not support the use of laetrile. It goes a bit farther than Senator Labeledz's amendments on section 2. I have discussed it with Senator Labeledz and Senator Kahle. I didn't get a chance to talk to Senator Venditte. But they support my motion. I talked with Emory Burnett and he felt that the language would be somewhat redundant but the original Simon amendment #1 is more stronger and so I would urge the adoption of the Simon amendment. Again, Senator Labeledz and Kahle have no problem with it so I would urge for adoption of the amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Are we adopting the...okay, Simon amendment? All those in favor of the Simon amendment as discussed vote aye, opposed no. Have you all voted? Record.

CLERK: 19 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Motion carried. The amendment is adopted. Okay, the motion before the House now is the adoption of the Labeledz, Venditte amendments as amended. Senator Hefner, did you wish to discuss the amendments as amended?

SENATOR HEFNER: Okay, this is Senator Labeledz amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Yes, as amended.

SENATOR HEFNER: As amended, this is the bill.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Yes, sir.

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. President, members of the body, I rise to support the amendment to LB 382 and I realize that this is a very complex issue but I feel it is a very important issue and I feel that we should address it during this session and I guess what I am talking about is trying to save more lives in Nebraska. It seems like every day we hear about people that are being relieved by the treatment of laetrile and I am not saying that this is a cure for it but I believe that it relieves the pain and I believe it makes it more bearable for the patient in the relief of cancer. I feel that this bill as amended now will give the people of Nebraska a freedom of choice. They will not have