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02-022N 02-022N-314 Marianne Cooper

Regarding item 5.9, which states: "We recommend the following revision: 'All labels should bear a statement that a supplement should be taken on the advice of a nutritionist, a dietitian, or a medical doctor"

My question to you is: why should a group of people known to have no training (and even less interest) to speak of in the field of supplements be guiding the public in what nutrients to consume? I've had a physician from your FDA tell me "nutritionists are downright scary!"

This is a clause advanced by special interest groups, and has nothing to do with protecting our health.

Is this still "a government by the people and for the people"?

None of the groups mentioned in your proposal have any interests in my wellness - they are only useful if I am sick. They are only dealing in sickness, my wellness is of virtually no interest to them.

I can feed myself just fine, thank you very much.

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