

mandate seriously. I am pleased that, today, the House followed suit.

The Brownfields Revitalization and Environmental Restoration Act authorizes \$250 million a year over the next five years for assessment and cleanup grants, including petroleum sites, and State program enhancement. The bill would provide liability relief for three groups: contiguous property owners, prospective purchasers, and innocent landowners. Lastly, the bill outlines the parameters by which EPA may re-enter a site to protect human health and the environment.

We also have fulfilled another mandate today. Earlier this year, the Small Business Liability Protection Act passed the House of Representatives 419-0; today, the Senate followed suit. This legislation is a victory for small businesses, on which the foundation of our nation's economy stands. The Small Business Liability Protection Act provides Superfund liability relief for small businesses and others who disposed of, or arranged disposal of, small amounts of hazardous waste. The legislation also allows expedited settlements for a lesser amount if a business can show financial hardship.

There are many who share in this victory. It was truly a bipartisan and bicameral effort. In particular, I would like to recognize the efforts of Senators SMITH, CHAFEE, BAUCUS and BOXER. I also thank all the Leadership offices, on both sides and in both Chambers, for their dedication to the passage of H.R. 2869.

I am very proud of this legislation. I am pleased to have played an integral role in these efforts to encourage development of our urban cores, reduce development demands in greenfields, and promote our economic base by supporting our small businesses. This new year's resolution has been many years in the making. I am gratified that our communities will reap the rewards of further tools to redevelop brownfields and sustain small businesses in 2002 and beyond.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent the bill be read the third time and passed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and any statements relating thereto be printed in the RECORD with no intervening action or debate.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered. The several requests are granted.

The bill (H.R. 2869) was read the third time and passed.

#### FAMILY SPONSOR IMMIGRATION ACT OF 2001

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent the Senate proceed to Calendar No. 289, H.R. 1892.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 1892) to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for the acceptance of an affidavit of support from another eligible sponsor if the original sponsor has died and the Attorney General has determined for humanitarian reasons that the original sponsor's classification petition should not be revoked.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill, which had been reported from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment.

[Matter to be added is printed in italic.]

H.R. 1892

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled.*

#### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Family Sponsor Immigration Act of 2001".

#### SEC. 2. SUBSTITUTION OF ALTERNATIVE SPONSOR IF ORIGINAL SPONSOR HAS DIED.

(a) PERMITTING SUBSTITUTION OF ALTERNATIVE CLOSE FAMILY SPONSOR IN CASE OF DEATH OF PETITIONER.—

(1) RECOGNITION OF ALTERNATIVE SPONSOR.—Section 213A(f)(5) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1183a(f)(5)) is amended to read as follows:

"(5) NON-PETITIONING CASES.—Such term also includes an individual who does not meet the requirement of paragraph (1)(D) but who—

"(A) accepts joint and several liability with a petitioning sponsor under paragraph (2) or relative of an employment-based immigrant under paragraph (4) and who demonstrates (as provided under paragraph (6)) the means to maintain an annual income equal to at least 125 percent of the Federal poverty line; or

"(B) is a spouse, parent, mother-in-law, father-in-law, sibling, child (if at least 18 years of age), son, daughter, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, *sister-in-law*, *brother-in-law*, grandparent, or grandchild of a sponsored alien or a legal guardian of a sponsored alien, meets the requirements of paragraph (1) (other than subparagraph (D)), and executes an affidavit of support with respect to such alien in a case in which—

"(i) the individual petitioning under section 204 for the classification of such alien died after the approval of such petition; and

"(ii) the Attorney General has determined for humanitarian reasons that revocation of such petition under section 205 would be inappropriate."

(2) CONFORMING AMENDMENT PERMITTING SUBSTITUTION.—Section 212(a)(4)(C)(ii) of such Act (8 U.S.C. 1182(a)(4)(C)(ii)) is amended by striking "(including any additional sponsor required under section 213A(f))" and inserting "(and any additional sponsor required under section 213A(f) or any alternative sponsor permitted under paragraph (5)(B) of such section)".

(3) ADDITIONAL CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Section 213A(f) of such Act (8 U.S.C. 1183a(f)) is amended, in each of paragraphs (2) and (4)(B)(ii), by striking "(5)." and inserting "(5)(A)."

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by subsection (a) shall apply with respect to deaths occurring before, on, or after the date of the enactment of this Act, except that, in the case of a death occurring before such date, such amendments shall apply only if—

(1) the sponsored alien—

(A) requests the Attorney General to reinstate the classification petition that was

filed with respect to the alien by the deceased and approved under section 204 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1154) before such death; and

(B) demonstrates that he or she is able to satisfy the requirement of section 212(a)(4)(C)(ii) of such Act (8 U.S.C. 1182(a)(4)(C)(ii)) by reason of such amendments; and

(2) the Attorney General reinstates such petition after making the determination described in section 213A(f)(5)(B)(ii) of such Act (as amended by subsection (a)(1) of this Act).

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the committee amendment be agreed to, the bill be read a third time and passed, the motion to reconsider be laid on the table with no intervening action or debate, and that any statements pertaining to this matter be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The committee amendment was agreed to.

The bill (H.R. 1892), as amended, was passed.

#### NURSE REINVESTMENT ACT

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of S. 1864, introduced earlier today by Senators MIKULSKI, HUTCHINSON, KERRY, and others.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 1864) to amend the Public Health Service Act establishing a nurse corps and recruitment and retention strategy to address the nurse shortage, and for other purposes.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the bill be read a third time and passed, the motion to reconsider be laid on the table, and that any statements on this matter be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The bill (S. 1864) was passed.

(The text of S. 1864 is printed in today's RECORD under "Statements on Introduced Bills and Joint Resolutions.")

#### GENERAL SHELTON CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL ACT

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of H.R. 2751.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 2751) to authorize the President to award a Gold Medal on behalf of the Congress to General Henry H. Shelton.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the bill be read three times, passed, and the motion to