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## **Rep. Fine Highlights Tax Assistance for Recently Returned Military Personnel**

**GLENVIEW, IL** – As tax season approaches, state Rep. Laura Fine (D-Glenview) wants to alert members of the military and their families about a free tax preparation service available to them through the Illinois CPA Society.

“Tax season can be stressful, even when a loved one isn’t serving in the military overseas or just returning,” said Rep. Fine. “This free program offered through the Illinois CPA Society will help the brave men and women who are serving our country. The CPA Society will help them receive all of the tax credits that were designed to provide them with special assistance.”

Volunteers from the Illinois CPA Society meet one-on-one with military members and their families to help them take full advantage of tax benefits. To qualify for this service, military personnel must be an Illinois resident and have served in a combat zone or qualified hazardous duty area within the last tax year or be currently serving in a contingency operation. The Illinois CPA Society has helped over 300 servicemen and women since this program began.

“Partnering with the IRS, CPAs provide military tax assistance to members of the Armed Forces who have served in a combat zone or in a contingency operation during the tax year,” explained Marty Green, Vice President of Government Relations at the Illinois CPA Society. “We work with our volunteers to match them with soldiers and airmen who qualify for assistance. As a Lieutenant Colonel in the National Guard, I can vouch for the fact that this program has a huge impact on the lives of military personnel and their families.”

For more information about the Military Service Tax Preparation Project, visit the Illinois CPA Society’s website at [www.icpas.org/militartaxrequest/](http://www.icpas.org/militartaxrequest/) or call (800) 572-9870. For any additional questions, please contact Rep. Fine’s constituent service office at (847) 998-1717.

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