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## Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation Announces Military Liaison to Aid Military Families in Licensure Process

**CHICAGO** – IDFPR announced Monday it has hired its first military liaison, a position designed to help military members and their spouses obtain professional licenses.

The liaison will directly help service members and their spouses navigate the licensure process and will work with Department staff and military officials to enhance communication and improve the overall application process for service members and spouses. Starting January 1, 2020, professional and occupational license applications from service members and their spouses will be expedited for review and determination of licensure within 60 days of IDFPR's receipt of all necessary documents. Additional licensing information for service members and their spouses may be found <u>here</u>.

"We want to ensure that military members and their families are provided with licensure resources they need to begin working in their chosen profession or occupation in Illinois," said **Deborah Hagan, Secretary of the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation.** 

Gov. JB Pritzker signed the law creating the military liaison position and the expedited application review process for service members and their spouses on August 9, 2019. What is included in the law can be found <u>here</u>.