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The House Republican Whip, Newt Gingrich of Georgia, serves as the Minority Whip in the 103rd Congress, the second-highest ranking position in the Republican Leadership.

The Republican Whip has specific responsibility and oversight over the implementation of the Republican legislative strategy and the day-to-day activities of Republicans on the Floor of the House.

The Whip:

- Develops and implements legislative strategy on designated issues in consultation with the Leader and those involved in policy development.
- Appoints Members of, organizes and operates a Whip organization broken down by regions of the country.
- Ascertains, monitors, and often seeks to influence the positions of individual Republican Members and Republican coalitions.
- Monitors the location and availability of Republican Members in periods when votes are anticipated on the House Floor.
- Provides program and background information on the Floor when the House is in session.
- Operates an automatic call-message system for Republican Members and their staff on current legislative strategy and program information.
- Oversees in coordination with the Republican Leader the day-to-day activities of the Floor and the Cloakroom and the Minority personnel assigned to each.
- Advises Members on House Floor procedures.
- Represents the Leader on those occasions when the Leader is absent.