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The Republican Research Committee, chaired by Duncan Hunter of California, provides long-range guidance on issues of interest to the Republican Conference, educates the Membership through the dissemination of research papers, the conduct of symposiums and discussion sessions, and offers the Members a constant view of those issues and events which they will face months and years ahead.

The Research Chairman:

- Appoints task forces on subjects of interest to the Conference for the purpose of long-range monitoring of the subject matter to: (A) Serve as an early-warning system able to alert the Policy Chairman and the Leadership as to future issues of importance to the Conference, and (B) Develop background and informational material on those subjects.
- Conducts task force issue hearings and press conferences to assist in developing policy alternatives to Democrat legislative initiatives.
- In conjunction with the Republican standing committee staffs, will develop a research strategy to produce and disseminate to the Republican Conference, position papers (3-5 pages) on pending legislation - reduce, to talking points.
- Media Outreach - will establish a Press Bank/Media Directory of Congressional and policy experts to act as issue spokesmen on topics of interest to the media.
- Sponsors regular press breakfasts and briefings in order to facilitate a public relations strategy for the Republican Conference.
- Provides occasional in-depth research and background material on subjects expected to reach the House Floor.
- Will develop an Outreach Program to think tanks and policy experts.

- Provides Members and staff with handbooks, constituent service manuals, staff listings, directories, and other documents designed to improve the quality of work and information available in Members' offices.
- Provides other printed material, such as daily press clippings, for the Members, in coordination with the Conference Chairman.