

## **Christie: Webber should be new GOP chairman in NJ**

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TRENTON (AP) — A state lawmaker from Morris County has been nominated to be the new leader of the Republican Party in New Jersey.

GOP gubernatorial candidate Chris Christie announced Thursday that Assemblyman Jay Webber is his choice to be the new party chairman. By tradition, the gubernatorial primary winner nominates the state party's chairman.

A vote by the Republican State Committee to confirm Webber will take place next week.

If approved, the 37-year-old legislator would succeed Tom Wilson, who has been GOP chairman since 2004.

Christie says Webber, who was elected to the Assembly in 2007, represents a new generation of young Republican leadership in the state.