New MU Law School poll shows tight races for guv, U.S. Senate

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The first post-primary Marquette University Law School Poll found tight races for guv and U.S. Senate in Wisconsin.

In the guv's race, the survey found the race tied among likely voters with 46 percent of respondents each backing Gov. Scott Walker and state Superintendent Tony Evers.

Among registered voters, it was 46 percent for Walker, compared to 44 percent who supported Evers, who won an eight-way Dem primary a week ago.

Poll Director Charles Franklin noted that is a tighter race than in three publicly released polls over the past month that found Evers up over Walker.

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In June, the last time the Marquette poll asked a head-to-head-question in the races, Walker was backed by 48 percent of registered voters to 44 percent who supported Evers. Among likely voters, it was 48-46 for Walker.

In the Senate race, 49 percent of likely voters backed U.S. Sen. Tammy Baldwin, D-Madison, while 47 percent supported GOP state Sen. Leah Vukmir, who won last week's Republican primary.

Among registered voters, it was 51-43 for Baldwin.

In June, Baldwin had a 9-point lead among registered voters and a 7-point edge among those likely to vote.

The latest survey was conducted Wednesday through Sunday. The sample of 800

registered voters included 59 percent who were contacted by cell phones, with 41 percent over landlines. That sample had a margin of error of plus or minus 4 percentage points.

The sample of 601 likely voters had a margin of error of plus or minus 4.5 percentage points.