

New Walker ad says Evers would put jobs at risk

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Gov. Scott Walker says in his latest TV ad that Dem rival Tony Evers would put jobs “at risk” and the state “can’t afford to turn back now.”

The ad, Walker’s 20th of his re-election bid, is his first since the latest Marquette University Law School Poll found Evers with a 5-point lead among likely voters.

In the spot, Walker talks directly into the camera, noting with “all of the attack ads these days, it’s easy to forget that more people are working this year than ever before, our schools are some of the best in the nation, and property taxes, they’re lower than when we started.”

Last week, Walker started one new ad that accused Evers of wanting to release violent criminals as part of a plan to cut the prison population in half and another featuring Lt. Gov. Rebecca Kleefisch seeking to refute the charge he wanted to strip protections for those who have pre-existing conditions.

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In the new ad, Walker says Wisconsin is moving forward, but Evers would raise property and income taxes and hike the gas tax by as much as a dollar a gallon.

“And that would put our jobs at risk,” Walker says to close the spot. “Wisconsin is working. We can’t afford to turn back now.”

Shortly after Evers won the August primary, Walker suggested the state superintendent would raise the gas tax by a dollar. Evers initially said everything was on the table to address transportation, but later said it was a lie to suggest he’d quadruple the gas tax.