

Barnes campaign: U.S. Sen. Johnson is bought and paid for by Big Pharma

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MADISON — Ron Johnson, who has taken hundreds of thousands from the pharmaceutical industry, took to the radio to [complain](#) that allowing Medicare to negotiate fair drug prices for working families would “[punish] the pharmaceutical industry.”

In response, Lt. Governor Mandela Barnes, Democratic nominee for U.S. Senate released the following statement.

“While Ron Johnson is worried about protecting the bottom lines of big pharmaceutical companies, I’m worried about working families across Wisconsin who are forced to choose between putting food on the table or affording the medication they need. For over a decade, Ron Johnson has put big corporations and his wealthy donors before the working people he was elected to represent. In the Senate, I’ll hold Big Pharma accountable and ensure every Wisconsinite has a fair shot.”

Ron Johnson has a long history of selling out Wisconsinites in favor of his large corporate donors. Earlier this year, Johnson justified sending 1,000 good-paying, family-sustaining jobs out of Wisconsin by [claiming](#), “It’s not like we don’t have enough jobs here in Wisconsin.” [Reporting](#) later showed the company shipping jobs out of state, Oshkosh Corp., “ranks seventh among Johnson’s top career contributors.”