

Dem Habush Sinykin joins four Republicans in 8th SD race

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Dem attorney Jodi Habush Sinykin, who formerly worked with Midwest Environmental Advocates, has announced her bid for the 8th SD.

She is the first Dem to get into the race for the vacant seat. Four Republicans have already announced plans to run for the suburban Milwaukee district.

Habush Sinykin, of Whitefish Bay, is an attorney who specializes in environmental law and policy. She worked with the Midwest Environmental Advocates from 2003-2020.

"I will be a Senator who listens and learns from the constituents in the 8th District, working to address the cost of healthcare, a woman's right to make her own health and reproductive decisions, maintaining safe communities, ensuring a good education for our children, and finding ways to ensure that area businesses and jobs can both survive and thrive in these difficult economic times," Habush Sinykin said in her announcement Wednesday.

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The Republicans in the race so far are: Concordia University student Robert Albrightson, of Brown Deer; state Reps. Janel Brandtjen, of Menomonee Falls, and Dan Knodl, of Germantown; and Thiensville Village President Van Mobley.

Republicans have also mentioned former GOP state Sen. Randy Hopper as a possible candidate.

The primary will be Feb. 21 with the special election April 4, the same day as the regularly scheduled spring election.

U.S. Sen. Ron Johnson, R-Oshkosh, won 54.2 percent of the vote in the district last month as he secured reelection by 1 percentage point. Meanwhile, construction exec Tim Michels took 51.5 percent as he lost to Dem Gov. Tony Evers statewide by 3.4 percentage points.

See Habush Sinykin's release [here](#).