

Opportunity Wisconsin: Johnson voices support for Scott's Plan to raise taxes on 32% of Wisconsinites

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MADISON, Wis. — In case you missed it, Senator Ron Johnson came out in support yesterday of Senator Rick Scott's (R-FL) controversial plan to raise taxes by an average of \$1,000 for the bottom 40% of income earners and sunset Social Security and Medicare after five years. According to a [study](#) from the Institute on Taxation and Economic Policy, 32% of Senator Johnson's constituents would see a tax increase under the plan.

Miranda Stark, Opportunity Wisconsin Deputy Program Director, released the following statement in response:

"Senator Johnson's support for a plan that would raise taxes on 32% of Wisconsinites comes as no surprise given his voting record and recent comments. He supported a tax bill that overwhelmingly benefits the top 1% while the rest of us are working hard just to make ends meet. He was one of the [biggest roadblocks](#) to pandemic relief when his constituents needed it most, and just last week he [doubled down](#) on his opposition to the Child Tax Credit, which lifted Wisconsin children out of poverty. We would like to know why Senator Johnson supports raising taxes on the working class, but supports handouts for corporations and the wealthy. We're calling on him to stop supporting laws that benefit ultra-wealthy people like himself at our expense."

Last month, [Opportunity Wisconsin](#) launched a new TV ad as part of their multimillion dollar TV and digital advertising campaign calling out Senator Ron Johnson for putting his own personal profits above hardworking Wisconsinites. The new ad, "[Power](#)," calls out Senator Johnson for passing a special tax break that

benefited his family's business and for doubling his wealth since taking office.

The new ad is Opportunity Wisconsin's latest effort to hold Senator Johnson accountable and to demand he vote for policies that support Wisconsin residents. In addition to holding conversations with Wisconsin workers and families across the Badger State, Opportunity Wisconsin has [spent over \\$4 million](#) in TV ads since early 2021 urging Senator Johnson to stop putting his personal profits over the people of Wisconsin.