



MADISON — Gov. Tony Evers today delivered the Democratic Radio Address urging Republican lawmakers to take up his special session plan to address Wisconsin's chronic workforce challenges, including helping strengthen high-need areas of our state's workforce such as the healthcare and education sectors. More information on the governor's special session plan is available [here](#).

### [Audio File of Radio Address](#) .

*Hey there, folks. Governor Tony Evers here.*

*Earlier this year, I proposed a comprehensive budget plan to address our state's longstanding workforce challenges, support working families, and maintain our economic momentum.*

*Unfortunately, despite having a record budget surplus, Republicans in the Legislature rejected many of those efforts.*

*But thanks to my strategic line-item vetoes in the budget, I've ensured ample state resources are readily available for legislators to address the most pressing issues facing our state.*

*On September 20th, I'm calling a special session of the Legislature to complete their work on the budget and pass my comprehensive plan to address our state's chronic workforce challenges.*

*My workforce plan makes targeted investments in high-need areas of our workforce, especially our healthcare and education workforces that we know have struggled for years.*

*These challenges have plagued our state for generations, and they will only continue holding our economy, our families, and our state back if Republican lawmakers don't address this issue*

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*with the urgency it requires.*

*We've seen what can happen when we work together to address critical needs, reach bipartisan consensus and compromise, and put the people of Wisconsin first.*

*I'm optimistic that we can do this again.*

*Thank you.*