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“I’m running for Senate because I want to protect and promote the health, safety, and stability of communities across Tennessee,” Bradshaw said. “Strong, evidence-based criminal justice reform policy is crucial to that mission. The failed policies of the past drove over-incarceration and the criminalization of addiction, mental health crises, and poverty, ravaging communities – especially black and brown communities. This status quo is destabilizing, and it’s destructive. That’s why I am proud to announce my support for the Justice Guarantee, a set of clear-eyed, evidence-based policies that put people before profits.”

The Justice Guarantee proposes shifting first responder responsibilities from law enforcement to health care professionals and social workers, who can address crises without resorting to incarcerating people whose problems will only be exacerbated in the criminal justice system. More than that, the Guarantee emphasizes making sure that people have access to the basic things they need to live a stable life – safe, affordable housing; zero-fare transportation; and no-cost addiction and mental health treatment--and protecting everyone’s voting rights.

“It’s through policies like those of the Justice Guarantee that we can build a legacy of progress and prosperity with safety and security for all,” Bradshaw added. “This is how we arrive at a future in which all Tennesseans have the opportunity to thrive and support one another as they live, learn, work, worship, and play.”

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