



**Senate Budget and Taxation Committee
Testimony of
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SB 362 Budget Reconciliation and Financing Act 2024

Unfavorable

Thank you for your support of Maryland's community colleges.

I am an alumnus of Montgomery College (MC) and currently serve as president of the **Montgomery College Alumni Association**. I studied business at MC and earned my associate degree in 1989.

On behalf of the Association, representing Montgomery College's thousands of past students, I ask you to **please fully fund community colleges**, including MC, and **reject any changes to the John R. Cade Community College Funding Formula outlined in the Budget Reconciliation and Financing Act of 2024**.

Montgomery College changed the lives of so many in Montgomery County and across Maryland—including mine. Please continue to invest in community colleges so Montgomery College and other institutions can continue to offer a high quality, affordable education for future alumni like me.

Thank you.