



**Montgomery College Testimony to the Environment and Transportation Committee**  
**Delegate Kumar Barve, Chair**  
**February 26, 2020**  
**Support House Bill 896**

Montgomery Colleges urges a favorable report on House Bill 896 Environment – Statewide Green Business Certification Program – Establishment.

Almost 10 years ago, the College established values on which it operates. Sustainability was key among the words we chose to articulate the values we share as an organization to guide our work. To that end, we pride ourselves in the array of practices we utilize to advance sustainability in our work spaces, classrooms, and labs. Our well-recognized energy management strategies minimize our carbon footprint and LEED certified buildings demonstrate to our students our commitment to the environment.

Montgomery College has partnered with the Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce to deliver training programs to help local employers do the right thing, too. So, we know that this bill is important, relevant, and will work—work for the environment and work for our economy.

Please provide a favorable report for House Bill 896.