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Chris Gekas  
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Dear Mr. Gekas,

I have just read Joseph Somsel's article "Who Will Control Your Thermostat" in the American Thinker  
[[http://www.americanthinker.com/2008/01/who\\_will\\_control\\_your\\_thermost.html](http://www.americanthinker.com/2008/01/who_will_control_your_thermost.html)]  
regarding proposed changes re: Title 24 2008 Building Energy Efficiency Standards  
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I am dismayed that the provision for Programmable Communicating Thermostat (PCT) is being written into the proposed standards and view this provision as: 1) Violation of individual privacy and right of choice, 2) Authoritarian/socialistic thinking, and 3) Fear of democracy and the efficacy of the marketplace. There may be good intentions behind the need for improving energy efficiency and there will be induced waves of change because a barrel of oil is at \$100 mark. However, the provision is in the category of "Sacramento knows best" aka "big brother". Our state residents are still paying for the last Sacramento folly of deregulated electricity and unintended consequences which proved that "Sacramento does not know best".

I move that the provision for PCT's be struck and that the policy and guidance formulated to allow economic competition and market forces efficiency to take place rather the typical "big government" prescriptive solution.

In a few words, "dumb idea".

Sincerely,

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