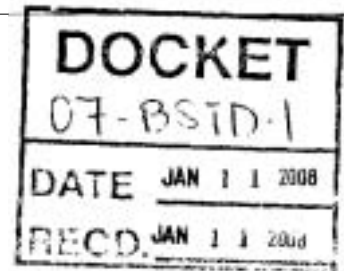


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Thought needs to be given to the "Big Brother" aspect of this. Some people fear "they" will control all their appliances, etc remotely and the consumer will have no control. I like the idea of being able to control my own things from, perhaps, my office or while on vacation. I already program my thermostat to basically be off during the day while I'm at work (and the office thermostat to be "off" at night). New homes have programmable thermostats in them, and in the interest of not spending tons of money, the majority of home owners will program theirs as I have, not needing a utility computer to change it for them. The older homes with floor furnaces, wall heaters and window air conditioners will not be affected by the proposal, and those are the ones that use more electricity than new homes. Appears to be a useless mandate since it won't have any bearing on those using more power.

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