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Subject: Programmable Communicating Thermostats Should Not be Mandated in the Building Code

Dear Sir:

I would like to voice my concern and opposition to the proposed changes to the building codes which require the installation of Programmable Communicating Thermostats. I am especially bothered by the California Energy Commission plans to mandate the use of thermostats with a non-removable radio control component. The inclusion of a non-removable radio-control feature of the thermostat should be the choice of the homeowner and not a mandate of the State. If a homeowner wishes to install such a device, it should be their choice and not one made by Government. The building codes should be restricted to safe construction and materials which benefit the homeowner. The operation of the home and the controls are NOT a part of government. The very idea that any aspect of a citizen's home can be controlled by government is abhorrent to all that is American.

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