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Dear C. Gekas,

In the SF Chronicle today is an article "State plan to control your home thermostat" This proposal does make some sense if it is strictly applied to air conditioning control during the summer. (I don't even own air conditioning.) But I fear the way the government works is that once they get their foot in the door with this plan, after 5 years go by or so, then comes the plan to use the smart thermostat on people's heating also. And maybe the manual override goes out the window too and we become drifting into a communist China mentality based on what the government feels is "necessary." Maybe increased energy usage rates price hikes would be better.

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