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Dear Chris,

I'm opposed to the State-controlled thermostat in my home, as described below. Instead a push should be made to make home's insulation more efficient and to make air-conditioning/heating systems more efficient. They seem to function much better in Europe, so I don't see why not make adjustments in those areas.

"What should be controversial in the proposed revisions to Title 24 is the requirement for what is called a "programmable communicating thermostat" or PCT. Every new home and every change to existing homes' central heating and air conditioning systems will required to be fitted with a PCT beginning next year following the issuance of the revision. Each PCT will be fitted with a "non-removable " FM receiver that will allow the power authorities to increase your air conditioning temperature setpoint or decrease your heater temperature setpoint to any value they chose. During "price events" those changes are limited to +/- four degrees F and you would be able to manually override the changes. During "emergency events" the new setpoints can be whatever the power authority desires and you would not be able to alter them."

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