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Jackalyne Pfannenstiel

Dear Jackalyne Pfannenstiel:

Frankly people are smart enough to know how to use their thermostats in an energy-efficient manner when that is their goal. When other goals supercede, government should have nothing to say about it, just as government should not pay for their consumption at the end of the month. The prospect that homeowners will be required to use thermostats designed to accept state control is offensive and should be discarded.

On a personal note, I used to work in a theatre owned by a school district that controls all thermostats centrally and I can attest that neither the technology nor the beaurocracy is conducive to this arrangement. The efforts of the theatre manager and time of the maintainance staff in (often fruitless) attempts to keep the building at a comfortable performance temperature were themselves quite wasteful.

Sincerely,

Ryan Gill