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Mr. Gekas,

I want to voice my dissatisfaction on the proposed legislation making new thermostats controllable by the energy companies. It is entirely unacceptable to mandate that the customer lose control over the device that will be required by law.

It smacks of "big brotherism" and it is too much government control into how we lead our lives.

Even though it is suppose to be for energy emergencies use in the summer months what is to stop the energy companies from declaring an emergency in the winter. And who defines the "energy emergency", the energy companies.

I strongly urge you to reconsider this legislation.

Sincerely,

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Cc: Senator Pat Wiggins