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U.S. House of Representatives
Energy & Commerce Committee
Subcommittee on Energy
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Dear Chairmen Walden and Upton and Ranking Members Pallone and Rush,

I am writing on behalf of the Georgia Retailers in support of H.R. 3477, the Ceiling Fan Energy Conservation Harmonization Act.

Since 1961, the Georgia Retailers has been working on behalf of the retail community to unite and pursue the common goal of creating the best environment for retailing in Georgia. Retail supports 1 out of 4 jobs in the state and is directly and indirectly responsible for 78 percent of Georgia's gross domestic product.

Ceiling fans will be subject to two D.O.E. efficiency requirements with compliance dates a year apart from each other. This bill would align the compliance dates of these regulations. The Georgia Retailers supports streamlining these two burdensome change outs to one effective enforcement date.

If the dates were not changed, there would be numerous negative effects on Georgia retailers. For example: unproductive employee busywork, purchase order problems and work schedule planning could all be potential problems for retailers big and small.

It is important that this bipartisan bill be passed to provide continuity to supply chains. We respectfully request you to encourage the expedited passage of H.R. 3477.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at scott@frf.org or (850) 222-4082.

Sincerely,



Scott Shalley
President/CEO