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Stategovernmentradio.com reporter Josh Ellis joins host Donna Martinez to discuss the political maneuvering at the legislature over the proposed voter ID bill, the state Democratic Party's "turtle" ad that pokes fun at Republican legislators seeking to repeal the coastal plastic bag ban, changes to the state health plan, and allegations of illegal lobbying against a former state senator. Then Senate President Pro Tem Phil Berger (R-Rockingham) assesses the state budget challenge, the efforts to find common ground with Gov. Beverly Perdue, and pressure from interest groups who fear cuts in their state appropriations. That's followed by comments from Revenue Secretary David Hoyle about the role of his department in state administration and the knowledge gained during nine terms in the state Senate. Finally, the pulse of the North Carolina voter is on display in new polling from Tom Jensen of Public Policy Polling about Gov. Perdue and her likely Republican challenger, former Charlotte Mayor Pat McCrory, and from Francis DeLuca of the Civitas Institute about state employee salaries, health care reform, and medical malpractice.