

Democrats to keep 'temporary' tax one more month

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Democrats in the Senate have agreed to keep a "temporary" sales tax for at least another month.

The North Carolina House and Senate have been debating whether to allow a quarter-penny of the state sales tax to expire Sunday. While the House wants the tax extended, the Senate wants to cut it right away. The tax has been on the books since 2001 and that's too long for a "temporary" tax, they say. The Democratic-controlled House passed a temporary spending bill yesterday to keep state government going while the debate continues, since the two-year budget will take longer than this week to finalize.