By Administrator Friday, 29 August 2014 11:59 - Last Updated Friday, 29 August 2014 12:00

RALEIGH, (SGRToday.com) - Republican Senate candidate Thom Tillis is ramping up his campaign with a new ad that responds directly to charges made by Democrats on behalf of his Democratic opponent, Kay Hagan.

Democrats claim that Tillis, as North Carolina House Speaker, cut K-12 education spending. Tillis fires back with this: "A 7 percent pay raise. That's what we passed this year for North Carolina teachers. That's simple math, but math is lost on Sen. Hagan. She's misleading you about me to hide her own partisan record."

The two candidates will face off on the debate stage next week.