

N.C.P.I.-Motor Vehicle 203.71
NIGHT PARKING ON HIGHWAYS-BRIGHT LIGHTS PROHIBITED.
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The motor vehicle law provides that a person who, at night, parks or leaves a vehicle standing [on a highway] [on a side road entering a highway] shall not permit its bright lights to continue burning when such lights face oncoming traffic.

A violation of this law is negligence within itself.¹

1. See *Basnight v. Wilson*, 245 N.C. 548, 96 S.E.2d 699 (1957); *Lienthall v. Glass*, 2 N.C. App. 65, 162 S.E.2d 596 (1968). This statute does not apply to street maintenance workers actually performing their duties. *Pinkston v. Connor*, 63 N.C. App. 628, 306 S.E.2d 132 (1983), *aff'd*, 310 N.C. 148, 310 S.E.2d 347 (1984).