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STOPPING ON HIGHWAY--DISABLED TRUCKS, TRUCK TRACTORS, TRAILERS, OR SEMITRAILERS. G.S. 20-161(c).

The motor vehicle law provides that the operator of any [truck] [truck tractor] [trailer] [semitrailer] which is disabled upon any portion of the highway shall display warning devices of a type and in a manner as required under the rules and regulations of the United States Department of Transportation² as adopted by the Division of Motor Vehicles. Those regulations provide: (Here state applicable regulations).³

A violation of this law is negligence within itself.

¹As the language of the statute indicates, this provision does not apply to disabled passenger vehicles. Exum v. Boyles, 272 N.C. 567, 158 S.E.2d 845 (1968); Rowe v. Murphy, 250 N.C. 627, 109 S.E.2d 474 (1959).

²C.F.R. 49, Parts 170-178 and 390-397.

³Pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 20-384, the Division of Motor Vehicles adopted, in toto, the rules and regulations listed in Footnote 2 above. Exceptions to those rules and regulations as adopted are set out in a pamphlet containing the rules and regulations as adopted and amended. This pamphlet may be obtained from the Division of Motor Vehicles, Motor Carrier Safety Unit.