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SENATE BILL 955  
PROPOSED COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE S955-PCS15265-RW-26

Short Title: Bicycle Lights at Night.

(Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

March 26, 2009

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT BICYCLES HAVE VISIBLE LIGHTS ON THE FRONT  
AND REAR OF THE BICYCLE WHEN OPERATED AT NIGHT ON A STREET,  
HIGHWAY, OR PUBLIC VEHICULAR AREA.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 20-129(e) reads as rewritten:

"(e) Lamps on Bicycles. – Every bicycle shall be equipped with a lighted lamp on the front thereof, visible under normal atmospheric conditions from a distance of at least 300 feet in front of such bicycle, and shall also be equipped with a ~~reflex mirror or lamp~~ on the rear, exhibiting a red light visible under like conditions from a distance of at least 200 feet to the rear of such bicycle, when ~~used at night in operation at night on a street, highway, or public vehicular area.~~"

**SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective December 1, 2009, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.



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