

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2009**

**SESSION LAW 2009-104  
HOUSE BILL 825**

AN ACT TO PERMIT GARBAGE TRUCKS TO STOP ON THE PAVEMENT OF  
HIGHWAYS OUTSIDE MUNICIPAL LIMITS WHILE COLLECTING GARBAGE OR  
RECYCLABLE MATERIAL.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 20-161(a) reads as rewritten:

"(a) No person shall park or leave standing any vehicle, whether attended or unattended, upon the paved or main-traveled portion of any highway or highway bridge outside municipal corporate limits unless the vehicle is disabled to such an extent that it is impossible to avoid stopping and temporarily leaving the vehicle upon the paved or main traveled portion of the highway or highway bridge. This subsection shall not apply to a solid waste vehicle stopped on a highway while engaged in collecting garbage as defined in G.S. 20-118(c)(5)g. or recyclable material as defined in G.S. 130A-290(a)(26)."

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

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2009.

s/ Walter H. Dalton  
President of the Senate

s/ Joe Hackney  
Speaker of the House of Representatives

s/ Beverly E. Perdue  
Governor

Approved 4:30 p.m. this 15<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2009

