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Kinston police say the State Bureau of Investigation is looking into a shooting this weekend that involved one of their own.

Police say Wilfred Jones, who was off-duty, accidentally shot his 18-year-old daughter.

The shooting happened Saturday night just before 8:00 p.m. at 102-D Wingate Drive, that's the officer's home.

Shot was Raven Jones of Charlotte. She's in fair condition at Pitt County Memorial Hospital.

Public Safety Director Bill Johnson says the officer thought he was home alone and went to investigate a suspicious noise he believed to be an intruder. Johnson says the officer encountered the victim in the home, was startled and accidentally fired one shot. Jones was hit in the lower leg.

Police say their initial investigation showed no malice from either the officer or the victim.

Johnson says the officer has been with the department for over ten years and was placed today on administrative leave while the SBI investigates.

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Police are releasing very few details at this point.

They only say that the shooting involved a an off duty officer and one other person.

No one died in the incident. No word on any injuries.

Officials would not say when or where the shooting happened.

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