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Dear Members,

In response to our colleague who serves as co-chair of the Intergovernmental Operations Committee and his request to remove drop-boxes from the current election cycle and future election cycles, I must state the obvious. It is illegal to remove or tamper with those drop boxes! I am not surprised that a continuing effort to subvert Pennsylvanians' right to vote in free and secure elections is being attacked by certain members of the Republican party. But I am stunned that they would propose an outright violation of the law in order to meet that objective.

In an effort to provide facts and information regarding the debated drop box security issue, I have forwarded to the members of the senate a series of articles. The articles have highlighted who has been involved in the attempts to corrupt the system and the fact they have been caught. I have attached another article to provide additional facts regarding how the system has worked to protect and secure votes.

In closing, the system of delivering and receiving votes is as secure (if not more) than the mail system that receives absentee ballots. I would hope that my colleague is not going to suggest in coming days that we should remove mailboxes as well. That would be a federal crime, a bit more serious than the illegal removal of drop boxes.

[Luzerne County election director reports ballot drop box incident | Times Leader](#)

Thank you.

Senator Anthony H. Williams