

# The state's press calls for balance in the Highlands bill.

The Highlands legislation has encouraged such fear because it lacks an essential ingredient of any smart growth plan: detailed, well-funded provisions to direct growth where it belongs.

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Let's stop trying to meet a self-imposed deadline and take the time to make the necessary alterations.

*Daily Record*  
April 18, 2004

The Highlands bill...needs to better spell out how to accomplish that protection, how to fund the effort, how to coordinate smart growth in appropriate areas and how to compensate municipalities for lost tax revenues. In short, there is more work to be done.

*New Jersey Herald*  
April 21, 2004

The legislative rush to create new protections for the state's water supply is leaving the public in the dust.

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April 21, 2004

The best solution is to encourage growth with greater density, building in town centers and other areas where the environment can handle it.

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April 29, 2004

A fair and balanced law must be achieved.

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New Jersey's builders agree.

