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The culture of mathematics is in many respects opposite to that of the world of policy. This begs the question of whether mathematicians have anything at all to contribute in the policy arena. I will argue that the answer is yes, even though there are no theorems that require proof on Capitol Hill. Moreover, I contend that a policy analyst who adopts the mathematical perspective will produce recommendations and decisions of greater benefit to constituents. (Received September 21, 2011)