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Subject: Provide a specification that there are no implicitly EXTERNAL procedures

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8 Basic Functionality

9 Provide a specification that there are no implicitly EXTERNAL procedures.

n Rationale

- 11 If one wishes to construct a program entirely from module procedures, it would be useful if the processor
- 12 could be instructed to announce an error if there is a reference to a procedure that is not a module
- 13 procedure, not an intrinsic procedure, and has not explicitly been given the external attribute.

14 Estimated Impact

15 Minor. A simple statement described in Section 12, or maybe something on the IMPLICIT statement.

16 Detailed Specification

- 17 Add a specification that there are no implicitly EXTERNAL procedures. One way to do this is to add
- 18 a specification to the IMPLICIT statement, say NOEXTERNAL, to indicate that no procedure is to
- 19 be given the EXTERNAL attribute implicitly. I understand that some processors have an extension
- 20 to allow an UNDEFINED specification to the IMPLICIT statement, to indicate both the effect of the
- 21 NONE specification, and the NOEXTERNAL specification advocated here.

22 History

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