NAME

  dd_check -- check process ID

SYNOPSIS

  dd_check(procid)
  int procid;

DESCRIPTION

  This subroutine checks existence of a process corresponding to a given process ID. It does this by attempting to send a SIGFPT signal to the process with the PID in question (this subroutine is intended to be used with programs which use the dd_ifree and dd_wnfree subroutines. These programs ignore SIGFPT). This subroutine actually executes another program which runs as root, because only programs which run as root can send signals to unrelated processes.

  This subroutine returns one of the following values to the calling program:

    -2 system error occurred.

    -1 process with the given PID does not exist.

    0 process with the given PID does exist.

    Arguments:

      procid is the process id of a process whose
          existence is to be checked.

LIBRARY

  /lib/lib1.a