

1 **HB 3002 - H AMD 0577 adopted 3-13-02**

2 By Representative \_\_\_\_

3 On page 1, after line 11, strike all material through line 3 on  
4 page 2 and insert the following: "(2) In the interest of supporting the  
5 community spouse the department shall allow the maximum resource  
6 allowance amount permissible under the social security act for the  
7 community spouse for persons institutionalized before July 1, 2002.

8 (3) For persons institutionalized on or after July 1, 2002, the  
9 department, in the interest of supporting the community spouse, shall  
10 allow up to a maximum of thirty thousand dollars in resources for the  
11 community spouse. For the fiscal biennium beginning July 1, 2003, and  
12 each fiscal biennium thereafter, the maximum resource allowance amount  
13 for the community spouse shall be adjusted for economic trends and  
14 conditions by increasing the amount allowable by the consumer price  
15 index as published by the federal bureau of labor statistics. However,  
16 in no case shall the amount allowable exceed the maximum resource  
17 allowance permissible under the social security act."

**EFFECT:** Clarifies that the changes contained in the bill apply only to persons institutionalized on or after July 1, 2002.