- Description of wake up from Power-save or ADC Noise Reduction mode when the timer is clocked asynchronously: When the interrupt condition is met, the wake up process is started on the following cycle of the timer clock, that is, the timer is always advanced by at least one before the processor can read the counter value. After wake-up, the MCU is halted for four cycles, it executes the interrupt routine, and resumes execution from the instruction following SLEEP.
- Reading of the TCNT2 Register shortly after wake-up from Power-save may give an incorrect result. Since TCNT2 is clocked on the asynchronous TOSC clock, reading TCNT2 must be done through a register synchronized to the internal I/O clock domain. Synchronization takes place for every rising TOSC1 edge. When waking up from Power-save mode, and the I/O clock (clk_{I/O}) again becomes active, TCNT2 will read as the previous value (before entering sleep) until the next rising TOSC1 edge. The phase of the TOSC clock after waking up from Power-save mode is essentially unpredictable, as it depends on the wake-up time. The recommended procedure for reading TCNT2 is thus as follows:
 - Write any value to either of the registers OCR2x or TCCR2x.
 - b. Wait for the corresponding Update Busy Flag to be cleared.
 - c. Read TCNT2.

During asynchronous operation, the synchronization of the Interrupt Flags for the asynchronous timer takes 3 processor cycles plus one timer cycle. The timer is therefore advanced by at least one before the processor can read the timer value causing the setting of the Interrupt Flag. The Output Compare pin is changed on the timer clock and is not synchronized to the processor clock.

15.10 Timer/Counter Prescaler

clk_{T2S} 10-BIT T/C PRESCALER Clear TOSC1 clk_{T2S}/8 clk_{T2S}/32 clk_{T2S}/1024 $clk_{T2S}/1$ AS₂ **PSRASY** 0 CS20 CS21 CS22 TIMER/COUNTER2 CLOCK SOURCE clk_{T2}

Figure 15-12. Prescaler for Timer/Counter2

The clock source for Timer/Counter2 is named clk_{T2S} . clk_{T2S} is by default connected to the main system I/O clock clk_{IO} . By setting the AS2 bit in ASSR, Timer/Counter2 is asynchronously clocked from the TOSC1 pin. This enables use of Timer/Counter2 as a Real Time Counter

