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Subject: Monitoring /proc/user\_beancounters via Perl Script?  
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Hi,

As part of my daily work, I've developed a Perl script that alerts whenever the "failcnt" field within /proc/user\_beancounters is subject to change. The script is actually run via cron which is recommended practice.

We'd like to release it to the public in order to support other people out there running OpenVZ servers. It was written in Perl and uses some funky datastructures to represent the current state of the statistics. Furthermore, these structures are dumped to a CSV file and compared against the ones hold in memory. If they differ, an alert will be sent to one or more recipients.

The script will be now located at a temporary location until someone participates in providing webspace & an official URL for it.

Critique, suggestions & ideas are welcome and may be addressed to me at <[steven.schubiger@xwave.ch.remove](mailto:steven.schubiger@xwave.ch.remove)>.

<http://www.refcnt.org/code/perl/monbean>

PS: Don't forget to rename monbean.pl.txt to monbean.pl

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