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Subject: Re: [PATCH 3/4] sysctl: Simplify ipc ns specific sysctls

Posted by [serue](#) on Wed, 29 Nov 2006 04:56:19 GMT

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Quoting Eric W. Biederman (ebiederm@xmission.com):

> This patch refactors the ipc sysctl support so that it is  
> simpler, more readable, and prepares for fixing the bug  
> with the wrong values being returned in the sys\_sysctl interface.  
>  
> The function proc\_do\_ipc\_string was misnamed as it never handled  
> strings. It's magic of when to work with strings and when to work  
> with longs belonged in the sysctl table. I couldn't tell if the  
> code would work if you disabled the ipc namespace but it certainly  
> looked like it would have problems.  
>  
> Signed-off-by: Eric W. Biederman <ebiederm@xmission.com>

Hi,

A little belated (sorry), but the only comment I have right now on the patchset is that the get\_ipc() seems like it shouldn't take the write arg. Perhaps if consistency is the concern, get\_uts() should simply be called get\_uts\_locked(table, need\_write) ? This also avoids the mysterious '1' argument in the next patch at get\_ipc(table, 1);

Oh, I lied, one more comment. It seems worth a comment at the top of get\_uts() and get\_ipc() explaining that table->data points to init\_uts->data and that's why the 'which = which - init\_uts + uts' works.

thanks,  
-serge

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