
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.
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> 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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