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Subject: [PATCH 20/59] sysctl: cdrom Don't set de->owner  
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There is no need for open files in /proc/sys/XXX to hold a reference count on the module that provides the file to prevent module unload races. While there is code active in the module p->used in the sysctl\_table\_header is incremented, preventing the sysctl from being unregistered. Once the sysctl is unregistered it cannot be found. Open files are also not a problem as they revalidate the sysctl information and bump p->used before accessing module code.

So setting de->owner is unnecessary, makes for a bad example and gets in my way of removing ctl\_table->de.

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drivers/cdrom/cdrom.c | 2 --  
1 files changed, 0 insertions(+), 2 deletions(-)

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diff --git a/drivers/cdrom/cdrom.c b/drivers/cdrom/cdrom.c
index f0a6801..14f72c4 100644
--- a/drivers/cdrom/cdrom.c
+++ b/drivers/cdrom/cdrom.c
@@ -3554,8 +3554,6 @@ static void cdrom_sysctl_register(void)
    return;

    cdrom_sysctl_header = register_sysctl_table(cdrom_root_table, 0);
- if (cdrom_root_table->ctl_name && cdrom_root_table->child->de)
- cdrom_root_table->child->de->owner = THIS_MODULE;

/* set the defaults */
cdrom_sysctl_settings.autoclose = autoclose;
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