
Subject: Re: [PATCH] net: Add etun driver

Posted by [Stephen Hemminger](#) on Wed, 11 Apr 2007 16:16:06 GMT

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On Tue, 10 Apr 2007 23:16:59 +0200

Johannes Berg <johannes@sipsolutions.net> wrote:

> On Tue, 2007-04-10 at 02:06 +0200, Patrick McHardy wrote:

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> > Same way as the current RTM_SETLINK message works, but with creating

> > a new link in advance. It works fine in other subsystems, so I don't

> > see why it would in this case as well. Some subsystems do it in an

> > atomic fashion (network schedulers for example), some first create

> > the object, then configure it (network classifiers in the non-compatible

> > cases). In the network device case I suppose the later should work

> > fine since a device needs to be set UP in a second action before

> > it really does anything.

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> Looking at br_netlink.c it seems that this sort of contradicts why

> generic netlink was done, now all the sudden everything that wants to

> create new links need its own netlink protocol number, no?

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> johannes

Bridging is different since there was already a bridge protocol number assigned, there was no point in doing generic netlink.

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