Subject: Re: [PATCH 0/3] capabilities: per-process capbset Posted by James Morris on Mon, 01 Oct 2007 23:03:38 GMT

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On Mon, 1 Oct 2007, Serge E. Hallyn wrote:

- > Here is a new per-process capability bounding set patchset
- > which I expect to send to linux-kernel soon. It makes
- > the capbset per-process. A process can only permanently
- > remove bits from it's bounding set, not add them. To
- > remove bits, CAP_SYS_ADMIN is currently needed. Maybe
- > that's not the best choice, but some privilege should
- > probably be required.

I'm not clear on why privilege would required for a process to remove capability bits from its set. (Sure, if running setuid).

Doesn't that just make it more difficult to write safe applications?

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