
Subject: Re: [PATCH 1/7][QUOTA] Move sysctl management code under ifdef CONFIG_SYSCTL

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Pavel Emelyanov <xemul@openvz.org> writes:

> [snip]

>

>>> We do have some current code in the network stack that fails miserably

>>> when register_sysctl_table returns NULL, and there are explicit

>>> checks for that.

>>

>> So that code would be failing today with CONFIG_SYSCTL=n? Unless the

>> failing code is itself under #ifdef CONFIG_SYSCTL, in which case we don't

>> need to change anything?

>

> Exactly! If the code checks for the return value it won't work

> with CONFIG_SYSCTL=n, if it dies not - it may happily use the

> sysctl stub and avoid extra ifdefs.

>

> But this difference looks clumsy :(

So we remove the check as we clean up the code.

Unless we happen to find something that can do something useful and reasonable is register_sysctl_xxxx fails.

Eric
