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Posted by [den](#) on Thu, 27 Sep 2007 12:24:49 GMT

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--- ./drivers/net/loopback.c.loopcomment 2007-08-26 19:30:38.000000000 +0400
+++ ./drivers/net/loopback.c 2007-09-27 16:08:06.000000000 +0400
@@ -293,4 +293,6 @@ static int __init loopback_init(void)
     return register_pernet_device(&loopback_net_ops);
 }

+/* Loopback is special. It should be initialized before any other network
+ device and network subsystem */
fs_initcall(loopback_init);
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Subject: Re: [PATCH] proper comment for loopback initialization order

Posted by [davem](#) on Thu, 27 Sep 2007 19:03:45 GMT

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Applied, but I had to fix the coding style of your comment,  
please do it like this in the future:

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/* Loopback is special. It should be initialized before any other network  
 * device and network subsystem.  
 */
```

Thanks.

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