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diff --git a/net/ipv6/ip6_flowlabel.c b/net/ipv6/ip6_flowlabel.c
index f40a086..e55ae1a 100644
--- a/net/ipv6/ip6_flowlabel.c
+++ b/net/ipv6/ip6_flowlabel.c
@@ -154,8 +154,10 @@ static void ip6_fl_gc(unsigned long dummy)
     write_unlock(&ip6_fl_lock);
 }

-static int fl_intern(struct ip6_flowlabel *fl, __be32 label)
+static struct ip6_flowlabel *fl_intern(struct ip6_flowlabel *fl, __be32 label)
{
+    struct ip6_flowlabel *lfl;
+
+    fl->label = label & IPV6_FLOWLABEL_MASK;

    write_lock_bh(&ip6_fl_lock);
@@ -163,12 +165,26 @@ static int fl_intern(struct ip6_flowlabel *fl, __be32 label)
    for (;;) {
        fl->label = htonl(net_random())&IPV6_FLOWLABEL_MASK;
        if (fl->label) {
-            struct ip6_flowlabel *lfl;
            lfl = __fl_lookup(fl->label);
            if (lfl == NULL)
                break;
        }
    }
}
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+ } else {
+ /*
+ * we dropper the ip6_fl_lock, so this entry could reappear
+ * and we need to recheck with it.
+ */
+ /*
+ * OTOH no need to search the active socket first, like it is
+ * done in ipv6_flowlabel_opt - sock is locked, so new entry
+ * with the same label can only appear on another sock
+ */
+ lfl = __fl_lookup(fl->label);
+ if (lfl != NULL) {
+ atomic_inc(&lfl->users);
+ write_unlock_bh(&ip6_fl_lock);
+ return lfl;
+ }
}

fl->lastuse = jiffies;
@@ -176,7 +192,7 @@ static int fl_intern(struct ip6_flowlabel *fl, __be32 label)
fl_ht[FL_HASH(fl->label)] = fl;
atomic_inc(&fl_size);
write_unlock_bh(&ip6_fl_lock);
- return 0;
+ return NULL;
}

@@ -429,7 +445,8 @@ int ipv6_flowlabel_opt(struct sock *sk, char __user *optval, int optlen)
struct in6_flowlabel_req freq;
struct ipv6_fl_socklist *sfl1=NULL;
struct ipv6_fl_socklist *sfl, **sflp;
- struct ip6_flowlabel *fl;
+ struct ip6_flowlabel *fl, *fl1 = NULL;
+
if (optlen < sizeof(freq))
return -EINVAL;
@@ -485,8 +502,6 @@ int ipv6_flowlabel_opt(struct sock *sk, char __user *optval, int optlen)
sfl1 = kmalloc(sizeof(*sfl1), GFP_KERNEL);

if (freq.flr_label) {
- struct ip6_flowlabel *fl1 = NULL;
-
err = -EEXIST;
read_lock_bh(&ip6_sk_fl_lock);
for (sfl = np->ipv6_fl_list; sfl; sfl = sfl->next) {
@@ -505,6 +520,7 @@ int ipv6_flowlabel_opt(struct sock *sk, char __user *optval, int optlen)
if (fl1 == NULL)

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fl1 = fl_lookup(freq.flr_label);
if (fl1) {
+recheck:
    err = -EEXIST;
    if (freq.flr_flags&IPV6_FL_F_EXCL)
        goto release;
@@ -543,9 +559,9 @@ release:
    if (sfl1 == NULL || (err = mem_check(sk)) != 0)
        goto done;

- err = fl_intern(fl, freq.flr_label);
- if (err)
- goto done;
+ fl1 = fl_intern(fl, freq.flr_label);
+ if (fl1 != NULL)
+ goto recheck;

if (!freq.flr_label) {
    if (copy_to_user(&((struct in6_flowlabel_req __user *) optval)->flr_label,

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