

[PATCH] usb: storage: add error handling for kcalloc

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Mon, Jun 11, 2018 at 4:52 AM

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+ return USB_STOR_TRANSPORT_ERROR;
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+ if (alauda_reset_media(us) != USB_STOR_XFER_GOOD)
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Mon, Jun 11, 2018 at 4:27 PM

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Hi,

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Right now, the development tree you have sent a patch for is "closed" due to the timing of the merge window. Don't worry, the patch(es) you have sent are not lost, and will be looked at after the merge window is over (after the -rc1 kernel is released by Linus).

So thank you for your patience and your patches will be reviewed at this later time, you do not have to do anything further, this is just a short note to let you know the patch status and so you don't worry they didn't make it through.

thanks,

greg k-h's patch email bot

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Tue, Jun 12, 2018 at 10:31 AM

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pr\_info() isn't a good routine to use here, because it doesn't print the device or driver name.

In any case, a log message isn't necessary. kcalloc() will already put a message in the log if either of the allocations fails.

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Thu, Jun 14, 2018 at 12:45 AM

Hi,

Thanks for your kind reply.

Should we still need to handle the error? I mean returning directly instead of printing a message.

I'll remove the pr\_warn statement in v2 if necessary.

Best,  
Zhouyang  
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Mon, Jun 25, 2018 at 8:33 AM

On Thu, Jun 14, 2018 at 09:29:11PM +0800, Zhouyang Jia wrote:

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You just leaked memory if only one of these succeeded :(

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Mon, Jun 25, 2018 at 11:22 AM

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That's not really true. The memory gets deallocated later on in any case, when alauda\_info\_destructor() calls alauda\_free\_maps() if not before.

More troubling is the fact that this routine (i.e. alauda\_init\_media) gets called from only one place, in alauda\_check\_media, and the caller completely ignores the return value! Furthermore, the caller always returns USB\_STOR\_TRANSPORT\_FAILED.

So on the whole, I don't think this patch is going to make any difference to the driver's operation.

Alan Stern

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Thu, Jun 28, 2018 at 6:52 AM

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Ok, I'm just going to drop it then.

thanks,

greg k-h