

NAME

lineinfile – Ensure a particular line is in a file

DESCRIPTION

This module will search a file for a line, and ensure that it is present or absent.

This is primarily useful when you want to change a single line in a file only. For other cases, see the *copy* or *template* modules.

OPTIONS

name The file to modify (required)

regexp The regular expression to look for in the file. For *state=present*, the pattern to replace. For *state=absent*, the pattern of the line to remove. (required)

state Whether the line should be there or not. *Choices*: present,absent.

line Required for *state=present*. The line to insert/replace into the file. Must match the value given to **regexp**.

insertafter

Used with *state=present*. If specified, the line will be inserted after the specified regular expression. Two special values are available; BOF for inserting the line at the beginning of the file, and EOF for inserting the line at the end of the file. *Choices*: BOF,EOF.

backup Create a backup file including the timestamp information so you can get the original file back if you somehow clobbered it incorrectly.

EXAMPLES

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lineinfile name=/etc/selinux/config regexp=^SELINUX= line=SELINUX=disabled
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lineinfile name=/etc/sudoers state=absent regexp="^%wheel"
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SEE ALSO

ansible(1), <http://ansible.github.com/modules.html#lineinfile>