#### NAME

devctl\_devctl\_attach, devctl\_clear\_driver, devctl\_delete, devctl\_detach, devctl\_disable, devctl\_enable, devctl\_freeze, devctl\_getpath, devctl\_rescan, devctl\_reset, devctl\_resume, devctl\_set\_driver, devctl\_suspend, devctl\_thaw - device control library

## LIBRARY

Device Control Library (libdevctl, -ldevctl)

### SYNOPSIS

#include <devctl.h>

int
devctl\_attach(const char \*device);

int

devctl\_clear\_driver(const char \*device, bool force);

int

devctl\_delete(const char \*device, bool force);

int
devctl\_detach(const char \*device, bool force);

int
devctl\_disable(const char \*device, bool force\_detach);

int
devctl\_enable(const char \*device);

int
devctl\_freeze(void);

int

devctl\_getpath(const char \*device, const char \*locator, char \*\*buffer);

int
devctl\_rescan(const char \*device);

int
devctl\_reset(const char \*device, bool detach);

int

devctl\_resume(const char \*device);

int

devctl\_set\_driver(const char \*device, const char \*driver, bool force);

int

devctl\_suspend(const char \*device);

int
devctl\_thaw(void);

## DESCRIPTION

The **devctl** library adjusts the state of devices in the kernel's internal device hierarchy. Each control operation accepts a *device* argument that identifies the device to adjust. The *device* may be specified as either the name of an existing device or as a bus-specific address. The following bus-specific address formats are currently supported:

#### pcidomain:bus:slot:function

A PCI device with the specified domain, bus, slot, and function.

#### pcibus:slot:function

A PCI device in domain zero with the specified bus, slot, and function.

#### handle

A device with an ACPI handle of *handle*. The handle must be specified as an absolute path and must begin with a "\".

The **devctl\_attach**() function probes a device and attaches a suitable device driver if one is found.

The **devctl\_detach**() function detaches a device from its current device driver. The device is left detached until either a new driver for its parent bus is loaded or the device is explicitly probed via **devctl\_attach**(). If *force* is true, the current device driver will be detached even if the device is busy.

The **devctl\_delete**() function deletes a device from the device tree. No If *force* is true, the device is deleted even if the device is physically present.

The **devctl\_disable**() function disables a device. If the device is currently attached to a device driver, the device driver will be detached from the device, but the device will retain its current name. If *force\_detach* is true, the current device driver will be detached even if the device is busy. The device

will remain disabled and detached until it is explicitly enabled via devctl\_enable().

The **devctl\_enable**() function re-enables a disabled device. The device will probe and attach if a suitable device driver is found.

The **devctl\_suspend**() function suspends a device. This may include placing the device in a reduced power state, but any device driver currently attached to the device will remain attached.

The **devctl\_resume**() function resumes a suspended device to a fully working state.

The **devctl\_set\_driver**() function attaches a device driver named *driver* to a device. If the device is already attached and *force* is false, the request will fail. If the device is already attached and *force* is true, the device will be detached from its current device driver before it is attached to the new device driver.

The **devctl\_clear\_driver**() function resets a device so that it can be attached to any valid device driver rather than only drivers with a previously specified name. This function is used to undo a previous call to **devctl\_set\_driver**(). If the device is already attached and *force* is false, the request will fail. If the device is already attached and *force* is true, the device will be detached from its current device driver. After the device's name is reset, it is reprobed and attached to a suitable device driver if one is found.

The **devctl\_rescan**() function rescans a bus device checking for devices that have been added or removed.

The **devctl\_getpath**() retrieves the path to the *device* from the kernel using the *locator* method to construct the path. The *buffer* pointer is updated with an allocated buffer that must be freed with free.

The **devctl\_freeze**() function freezes probe and attach processing initiated in response to drivers being loaded.

The **devctl\_thaw**() function resumes (thaws the freeze) probe and attach processing initiated in response to drivers being loaded.

The **devctl\_reset**() function resets the specified device using bus-specific reset method. The *detach* argument, if true, specifies that the device driver is detached before the reset, and re-attached afterwards. If false, the device is suspended before the reset, and resumed after.

#### **RETURN VALUES**

The devctl\_attach(), devctl\_clear\_driver(), devctl\_delete(), devctl\_detach(), devctl\_disable(), devctl\_enable(), devctl\_suspend(), devctl\_rescan(), devctl\_resume(), and devctl\_set\_driver() functions

return the value 0 if successful; otherwise the value -1 is returned and the global variable *errno* is set to indicate the error.

## ERRORS

In addition to specific errors noted below, all of the **devctl** functions may fail for any of the errors described in open(2) as well as:

[EINVAL]	The device name is too long.	
[ENOENT]	No existing device matches the specified name or location.	
[EPERM]	The current process is not permitted to adjust the state of <i>device</i> .	
The devctl_attach() function may fail if:		
[EBUSY]	The device is already attached.	
[ENOMEM]	An internal memory allocation request failed.	
[ENXIO]	The device is disabled.	
[ENXIO]	No suitable driver for the device could be found, or the driver failed to attach.	
The <b>devctl_detach</b> () function may fail if:		
[EBUSY]	The current device driver for <i>device</i> is busy and cannot detach at this time. Note that some drivers may return this even if <i>force</i> is true.	
[ENXIO]	The device is not attached to a driver.	
[ENXIO]	The current device driver for <i>device</i> does not support detaching.	
The devctl_enable() function may fail if:		
[EBUSY]	The device is already enabled.	
[ENOMEM]	An internal memory allocation request failed.	
[ENXIO]	No suitable driver for the device could be found, or the driver failed to attach.	

# The **devctl\_disable**() function may fail if:

[EBUSY]	The current device driver for <i>device</i> is busy and cannot detach at this time. Note that some drivers may return this even if <i>force_detach</i> is true.	
[ENXIO]	The device is already disabled.	
[ENXIO]	The current device driver for <i>device</i> does not support detaching.	
The <b>devctl_suspend</b> () function may fail if:		
[EBUSY]	The device is already suspended.	
[EINVAL]	The device to be suspended is the root bus device.	
The <b>devctl_resume</b> () function may fail if:		
[EINVAL]	The device is not suspended.	
[EINVAL]	The device to be resumed is the root bus device.	
The <b>devctl_set_driver</b> () function may fail if:		
[EBUSY]	The device is currently attached to a device driver and <i>force</i> is false.	
[EBUSY]	The current device driver for <i>device</i> is busy and cannot detach at this time.	
[EFAULT]	The <i>driver</i> argument points outside the process' allocated address space.	
[ENOENT]	No device driver with the requested name exists.	
[ENOMEM]	An internal memory allocation request failed.	
[ENXIO]	The device is disabled.	
[ENXIO]	The new device driver failed to attach.	
The <b>devctl_clear_driver</b> () function may fail if:		

[EBUSY] The device is currently attached to a device driver and *force* is false.

[EBUSY] The current device driver for *device* is busy and cannot detach at this time.

[EINVAL] The device is not configured for a specific device driver name.

[ENXIO] The device driver chosen after reprobing failed to attach.

The **devctl\_rescan**() function may fail if:

[ENXIO]	The device is not attached to a driver.
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[ENXIO] The bus driver does not support rescanning.

The **devctl\_delete**() function may fail if:

[EBUSY] The device is physically present and *force* is false.

[EINVAL] *dev* is the root device of the device tree.

The **devctl\_reset**() function may fail if:

[ENXIO] The bus does not implement the reset method.

[ETIMEDOUT] The device failed to respond after the reset in the time limits specific to the bus. The **devctl\_reset**() function may also return errors caused by the attach, detach, suspend, and resume methods of the device driver.

# SEE ALSO

devinfo(3), devstat(3), devctl(8)

# HISTORY

The **devctl** library first appeared in FreeBSD 10.3.

#### BUGS

If a device is suspended individually via **devctl\_suspend**() and the entire machine is subsequently suspended, the device will be resumed when the machine resumes.

Similarly, if the device is suspended, and **devctl\_reset**() is called on the device with *detach* set to *false*, the device is resumed by the **devctl\_reset**() call. Or, if the driver for the device is detached manually, and **devctl\_reset**() is called on the device with *detach* set to *true*, device reset re-attaches the driver.