NAME

openpam_readline - read a line from a file

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <security/pam_appl.h>
#include <security/openpam.h>

char *
openpam_readline(FILE *f, int *lineno, size_t *lenp);
```

DESCRIPTION

This function is deprecated and may be removed in a future release without further warning. The openpam_readlinev() function may be used to achieve similar results.

The **openpam_readline()** function reads a line from a file, and returns it in a NUL-terminated buffer allocated with malloc(3).

The **openpam_readline()** function performs a certain amount of processing on the data it reads:

- Comments (introduced by a hash sign) are stripped.
- Blank lines are ignored.
- If a line ends in a backslash, the backslash is stripped and the next line is appended.

If *lineno* is not NULL, the integer variable it points to is incremented every time a newline character is read.

If *lenp* is not NULL, the length of the line (not including the terminating NUL character) is stored in the variable it points to.

The caller is responsible for releasing the returned buffer by passing it to free(3).

RETURN VALUES

The **openpam_readline()** function returns NULL on failure.

SEE ALSO

```
openpam_readlinev(3), openpam_readword(3), pam(3)
```

STANDARDS

The **openpam_readline()** function is an OpenPAM extension.

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