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***Rocky Enterprise Linux 9.2 Manual Pages on command 'getnetconfig.3t'***

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GETNETCONFIG(3)                    BSD Library Functions Manual                    GETNETCONFIG(3)

NAME

getnetconfig, setnetconfig, endnetconfig, getnetconfigent, freenetconfigent, nc\_perror, nc\_spperror ? get network configuration database entry

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <netconfig.h>
```

```
struct netconfig *  
getnetconfig(void *handlep);
```

```
void *  
setnetconfig(void);
```

```
int  
endnetconfig(void *handlep);
```

```
struct netconfig *  
getnetconfigent(const char *netid);
```

```
void  
freenetconfigent(struct netconfig *netconfig);
```

```
void  
nc_perror(const char *msg);
```

```
char *  
nc_sperror(void);
```

## DESCRIPTION

The library routines described on this page provide the application access to the system network configuration database, `/etc/netconfig`. The `getnetconfig()` function returns a pointer to the current entry in the `netconfig` database, formatted as a struct `netconfig`. Successive calls will return successive `netconfig` entries in the `netconfig` database. The `getnetconfig()` function can be used to search the entire `netconfig` file. The `getnetconfig()` function returns `NULL` at the end of the file. The `handlep` argument is the handle obtained through `setnetconfig()`.

A call to `setnetconfig()` has the effect of `?binding?` to or `?rewinding?` the `netconfig` data? base. The `setnetconfig()` function must be called before the first call to `getnetconfig()` and may be called at any other time. The `setnetconfig()` function need not be called before a call to `getnetconfig()`. The `setnetconfig()` function returns a unique handle to be used by `getnetconfig()`.

The `endnetconfig()` function should be called when processing is complete to release re? sources for reuse. The `handlep` argument is the handle obtained through `setnetconfig()`. Programmers should be aware, however, that the last call to `endnetconfig()` frees all memory allocated by `getnetconfig()` for the struct `netconfig` data structure. The `endnetconfig()` function may not be called before `setnetconfig()`.

The `getnetconfigent()` function returns a pointer to the `netconfig` structure corresponding to `netid`. It returns `NULL` if `netid` is invalid (that is, does not name an entry in the `netcon? fig` database).

The `freenetconfigent()` function frees the `netconfig` structure pointed to by `netconfig` (pre?

viously returned by `getnetconfig()`).

The `nc_perror()` function prints a message to the standard error indicating why any of the above routines failed. The message is prepended with the string `msg` and a colon. A newline character is appended at the end of the message.

The `nc_spperror()` function is similar to `nc_perror()` but instead of sending the message to the standard error, will return a pointer to a string that contains the error message.

The `nc_perror()` and `nc_spperror()` functions can also be used with the `NETPATH` access routines defined in `getnetpath(3)`.

## RETURN VALUES

The `setnetconfig()` function returns a unique handle to be used by `getnetconfig()`. In the case of an error, `setnetconfig()` returns `NULL` and `nc_perror()` or `nc_spperror()` can be used to print the reason for failure.

The `getnetconfig()` function returns a pointer to the current entry in the `netconfig` data base, formatted as a struct `netconfig`. The `getnetconfig()` function returns `NULL` at the end of the file, or upon failure.

The `endnetconfig()` function returns 0 on success and -1 on failure (for example, if `setnetconfig()` was not called previously).

On success, `getnetconfig()` returns a pointer to the struct `netconfig` structure corresponding to `netid`; otherwise it returns `NULL`.

The `nc_spperror()` function returns a pointer to a buffer which contains the error message string. This buffer is overwritten on each call. In multithreaded applications, this buffer is implemented as thread-specific data.

## FILES

`/etc/netconfig`

## AVAILABILITY

These functions are part of libtirpc.

## SEE ALSO

getnetpath(3), netconfig(5)

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