

## FreeBSD Administration - Feature #815

### Disable Laptop Screen From Going Blank When Lid Closes on FreeBSD

05/24/2016 07:44 PM - Daniel Curtis

<b>Status:</b>	Closed	<b>Start date:</b>	05/24/2016
<b>Priority:</b>	Normal	<b>Due date:</b>	
<b>Assignee:</b>	Daniel Curtis	<b>% Done:</b>	100%
<b>Category:</b>	Workstation	<b>Estimated time:</b>	0.50 hour
<b>Target version:</b>	FreeBSD 10	<b>Spent time:</b>	0.50 hour

#### Description

This is a guide on how I disabled my laptop screen from going blank when closing the screen lid.

- Enable the acpi video driver at boot:

```
echo 'acpi_video_load="YES"' >> /boot/loader.conf
```

- Edit the devd config file:

```
vi /etc/devd.conf
```

- Then add the following to the end of the file:

```
#Added to fix issue with LCD staying blank after close/re-open.
#Lid switch
notify 0 {
    match "system"          "ACPI";
    match "subsystem"       "Lid";
    match "notify"          "0x00";
    action "sysctl hw.acpi.video.lcd0.active=0";
};

notify 0 {
    match "system"          "ACPI";
    match "subsystem"       "Lid";
    match "notify"          "0x01";
    action "sysctl hw.acpi.video.lcd0.active=1";
};
```

- Reboot the system to apply the changes:

```
reboot
```

#### Resources

- <https://forum.pfsense.org/index.php?topic=57066.0>
- <https://docs.freebsd.org/doc/9.2-RELEASE/share/doc/freebsd/en/articles/laptop/power-management.html>
- [https://www.freebsd.org/doc/en\\_US.ISO8859-1/books/handbook/acpi-overview.html](https://www.freebsd.org/doc/en_US.ISO8859-1/books/handbook/acpi-overview.html)

#### History

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