GNU/Linux Administration - Bug #981

Unable to Turn Off HDMI on Raspberry Pi 2

06/27/2025 08:31 PM - Daniel Curtis

Status:	Resolved	Start date:	06/27/2025
Priority:	Normal	Due date:	
Assignee:	Daniel Curtis	% Done:	100%
Category:	Workstation	Estimated time:	0.00 hour
Target version:	Debian	Spent time:	0.00 hour

Description

While trying to turn off the display used on the HDMI port of my Raspberry Pi 2, I was unable to get the vcgencmd to work correctly.

To resolve this, the dtoverlay needs to be changed in the config.txt file.

• Edit the config.txt:

sudo nano /boot/firmware/config.txt

• And modify the following line, changing dtoverlay to:

dtoverlay=vc4-fkms-v3d

• Reboot the system:

sudo reboot

• Now vcgencmd should be able to turn the HDMI display off:

sudo vcgencmd display_power 0

Resources

• https://www.reddit.com/r/raspberry_pi/comments/jyvj5q/heres_how_i_turn_my_monitors_on_and_off/

History

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