

Packages - Freedom Issue #2527

[asar]: depends on electron

2019-10-31 11:49 AM - bill-auger

Status: fixed	% Done: 0%
Priority: freedom issue	
Assignee: bill-auger	
Category:	
Description 'asar' is just a re-packaging of the node package via `npm install --global` in the package() function - that pulls in electron from the webby-web-web; so that electron does not appear in the depends() array - sneaky, huh https://github.com/electron/asar/blob/v2.0.1/package.json#L42	
Related issues: Related to Packages - Freedom Issue #1167: [chromium][electron][qt5-webengine... confirmed	

History

#1 - 2019-10-31 11:49 AM - bill-auger

- Related to Freedom Issue #1167: [chromium][electron][qt5-webengine][qt6-webengine] QTWebgine/Electron embeds "entire Chromium platform" added

#2 - 2019-10-31 12:21 PM - bill-auger

- Status changed from in progress to fixed

#3 - 2019-10-31 04:29 PM - eschwartz

That is a devDependency, it is not used in the PKGBUILD -- did you even check this?

Report a bug to archlinux for downloading the source code in package, fine. Blacklist the **entire** nodejs ecosystem because literally not one package ever builds without downloading at least something from the internet -- okay, I'm agreeable to that.

But don't say asar depends on electron unless it actually does.

I ASSURE you, there is no way ever under any circumstances ever, that a package with arch=('any') is downloading and installing some ELF binaries from the "webby-web-web". Or even packaging them at all.

#4 - 2019-10-31 05:20 PM - bill-auger

i didnt mean for that to be so pedantic - im not sure if the node package includes any binaries - i would have looked deeper if i thought this was something that we could keep

the main thing is that this program appears to useful only for the purpose of creating electron apps - even if electron is not part of the packaged program itself and even if the PKGBUILD did not download it, that would still be "suggesting" to use electron by the FSDG guidelines, if the program has no other use-case

if the program does have a valid use-case that does not necessarily suggest electron then theres probably no problem with bringing it back