Packages - Bug #750

[linux-libre] Conflicts with [linux], making it hard for Arch users to try it out

2015-06-30 05:13 AM - lukeshu

Status:	fixed	**% Done:**	100%
Priority:	bug		
Assignee:			
Category:			

Description

Inspired by this Reddit thread: https://www.reddit.com/r/archlinux/comments/3bitnu/any_complications_if_i_run_linuxlibre/

If an Arch user wants to install [linux-libre] side-by-side with [linux], to try it out, there is no reason why they shouldn't be able to do that. However, currently, linux-libre conflicts=(linux), meaning that we've artificially made it harder.

Of course, the reason we do that is because of the goal that a Parabola system with your-freedom installed conflicts with all non-free packages from Arch. your-freedom can't conflict with linux directly, because that would also conflict with packages that provide=(linux), including linux-libre! So, the solution has been to have the replacing package conflict with the Arch version.

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I believe a similar situation is happening with iceweasel/firefox, but I'd have to check.

History

#1 - 2015-06-30 08:47 AM - Anonymous

- Assignee set to Anonymous

- Status changed from open to in progress

lukeshu wrote:

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I don't like that solution too, but that's the way to solve this issue for them.

#2 - 2015-07-04 07:17 PM - Anonymous

- % Done changed from 0 to 100

- Status changed from in progress to fixed