LibreSSL delete

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- ▶ it has strange compile options (in OpenSSL both NO_OLD_ASN1 and NO_ASN1_OLD compile options are present but their meaning is slightly different)



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#include "des_locl.h"



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retrieving revision 1.32
diff -u -p -r1.31 -r1.32
--- apps/s socket.c
                        19 Apr 2014 13:13:01 -0000
                                                        1.31
+++ apps/s_socket.c
                        19 Apr 2014 16:38:04 -0000
                                                        1.32
@@ -77.7 +77.6 @@
 #ifndef OPENSSL_NO_SOCK
-static struct hostent *GetHostByName(char *name);
 static int ssl sock init(void):
 static int init server(int *sock, int port, int type):
 static int init_server_long(int *sock, int port, char *ip, int type);
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                        return (0);
                h2 = GetHostByName(*host);
                h2 = gethostbyname(*host);
                if (h2 == NULL) {
                        BIO_printf(bio_err, "gethostbyname failure\n");
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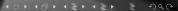
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- ► OpenSSL can pass environment variables to \$ENV:: in config files

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- support for as many combinations of operating systems and compilers out there





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- ▶ put as few #ifdefs as possible in the code



LibreSSL API, ftp client

```
if (inet_pton(AF_INET, host, &addrbuf) != 1 &&
   inet pton(AF INET6, host, &addrbuf) != 1) {
              if (SSL_set_tlsext_host_name(ssl, host) == 0) {
if (SSL connect(ssl) <= 0) {
       ERR_print_errors_fp(ttyout);
if (tls_connect_socket(tls, s, sslhost) != 0) {
       fprintf(ttyout, "SSL failure: %s\n", tls_error(tls));
       goto cleanup_url_get;
if (ssl_verify) {
       X509
               *cert:
       cert = SSL_get_peer_certificate(ssl);
       if (cert == NULL) {
               fprintf(ttyout, "%s: no server certificate\n",
                   getprogname());
               goto cleanup_url_get;
       if (ssl_check_hostname(cert, host) != 0) {
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               fprintf(ttyout, "%s: host '%s' not present in"
                    server certificate\n",
                   getprogname(), host):
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