

Zend_Controller_Action _redirect modification - Matthew Hallsworth

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Zend Framework: Zend_Controller_Action Component Proposal

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1. Overview

This is a simple suggestion for a modification to the `_redirect` member of `Zend_Controller_Action`.

I was attempting to write a simple logout procedure for some test code, and found that the logout redirect that used `_redirect` within a class, was failing with no evident output to redirect due to 'Headers already sent'

In the end it was whitespace at the end of my `LogoutController` that was causing the issue. However, the way I found it was that using the PHP5 function `headers_sent`, I modified the code inside the library for `Zend_Controller_Action` to use the optional `$file` and `$line` variables to find where the header issue was being caused.

Perhaps this is something you might want to use in the `_redirect` function, since the output it gives upon failure can be used to help troubleshoot a very simple error which can plague the unwary coder for a fair while before discovering the issue, especially if the whitespace is hiding after the closing `<?>` tag in a Controller file as in my case.

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