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FileBoy's

StatusBar 3.0

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**A Shareware System Status
Display For Windows 3.x**

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Files Included:

- SB_READ.NOW** Late-breaking news (if any).
- LICENSE.WRI** License Agreement/Warranty Disclaimer. Please read this file before using StatusBar.
- REGISTER.WRI** A registration form in Windows Write format with pricing information.
- REGISTER.TXT** A registration form in ASCII format. If you choose to register, please print and use one of these forms.
- STATBAR.EXE** The required executable.
- STATBAR.HLP** The online help file. Please see this help file when you first run StatusBar. Access is via the F1 key.
- QPRO.DLL** A required Dynamic Link Library containing many of the routines that comprise the program. **NOTE:** if you received your copy of StatusBar from Compuserve, this file may not

have been included in this package. To reduce download time for Compuserve members who already have a copy of QPRO.DLL, two versions of this package were uploaded, one with the necessary DLL and one without. If you do not have QPRO.DLL, copies are available on Compuserve in the **WINADV** forum's **Library 15** under the name **FBRUN.ZIP** or in the other upload version (search on the keyword FILEBOY for either).

STATBAR.WRI What you're reading now.

Required but not Included:

VBRUN100.DLL A Dynamic Link Library required by all Visual Basic programs. Copies may be obtained from Compuserve's **MSBASIC forum**, amongst others, or from any good BBS that features Windows programs.

IMPORTANT: If you redistribute the Shareware version of the program, you are required to include all the files in the original package without modifications, additions, or deletions of any kind. Since QPRO.DLL (see above) is a member of this Shareware package, you must include it in the package you pass on, regardless of whether or not it was originally included. StatusBar will not run without it. Please contact the author if you are having trouble obtaining the required DLLs.

Description: FileBoy's StatusBar 3.0, a member of the FileBoy family of utilities for Windows 3.x, is a system status bar written in Visual Basic that monitors (NEW:) percentage of free GDI or User Resources (toggle), (NEW:) amount of total Free

Memory or size of the Largest Block of Contiguous Memory (toggle), (NEW:) number of Current Tasks, (NEW:) amount of Free Space on a Selected Hard Drive, Current Time in 12 or 24 hour mode (toggle), and the Current Day/Date (NEW:) based on the Short Date format in your WINI.INI file (which now makes StatusBar friendlier to Non-U.S. users). A NEW Hourly Beep option has been added, plus Windows 3.1 users have the ability to assign system WAV files as the Hourly Beep sound. StatusBar allows complete color customization, and even has a few NEW extended functions (see Other Features, below). All functions and commands are accessible via mouse or keyboard, or a combination of the two.

Requirements and SetUp:

- * The required runtime dynamic link libraries, VBRUN100.DLL and QPRO.DLL, should be placed in your \WINDOWS\SYSTEM directory, although in theory any directory listed on your DOS path will do. If you don't have VBRUN100.DLL already (and everyone who uses Windows should get ahold of one), copies of may be obtained from Compuserve, in the **MSBASIC** and various other forums, or from any good BBS that features Windows programs (MS says it's not supposed to be distributed alone to BBS's etc, but we all know better..). If this package did not include QPRO.DLL, see the "Files Included" section above.
- * The executable, STATBAR.EXE, may be placed in a directory of your choice.

- * The International options (accessed via Windows' Control Panel) must be set in the manner in which you wish StatusBar's readouts to appear.
- * Windows 3.1 is necessary to assign a WAV file as the Hourly Beep sound.
- * StatusBar stores configuration data in a Windows-style .INI file named FILEBOY.INI. If you are using other FileBoy utilities, this file will already exist, and StatusBar will add its data to it. If not, StatusBar will create the file in your Windows directory. FILEBOY.INI must stay in the Windows directory.
- * The online help file, STATBAR.HLP, is not required for operation and is for user convenience only. However, if you choose to use it, it must be placed in the same directory with the executable file.

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Other Features:

- * NEW: Windows Task List in a pop-up message box. Hidden windows are also listed.
- * NEW: Floppy disk info in a pop-up message box.
- * NEW: For U.S. and Non-U.S. users, all read-outs (except the clock) are formatted according to the specs in the International section [intl] of your WIN.INI file.
- * NEW: Better Mouse and Keyboard support.
- * NEW: Online **Key Reference** (much faster than loading up the help file, although you SHOULD look at that too, at least once). The Key Reference is accessed by pressing **CTRL + F1**.
- * NEW: Arrange Icons on the desktop (via keyboard)
- * Quick return to default colors (via keyboard).

- * 12 or 24 Hour Clock Display (Toggle).
- * StatusBar remembers all used-defined settings: last screen position, display color combinations, width (height cannot be changed), readout options, etc..
- * Full online help is supplied in the form of a standard Windows help file. Access to Windows' "Help On Help" is also supplied.

A Note on Shareware: The author is a firm believer in the Shareware concept as a means of providing users with affordable software that rivals--and sometimes surpasses--commercial software.

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