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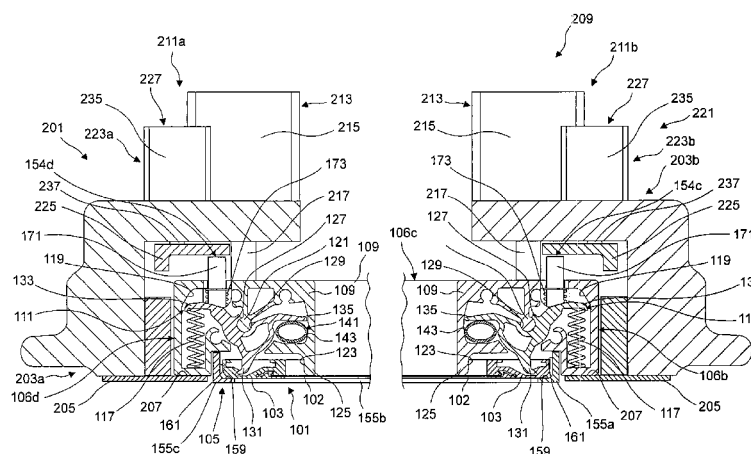


FIG. 4

(57) **Abstract:** A frame assembly (100) for supporting a printing screen (101), the frame assembly comprising : a frame unit (104) to which a printing screen is in use supported; and a screen loading mechanism (105) for loading a printing screen into and unloading a printing screen from the frame unit, wherein the screen loading mechanism comprises a screen loading member (153) which is movably coupled to the frame unit between a screen-receiving position in which a printing screen can be loaded into or removed from the screen loading member and a loaded position in which the printing screen is loaded into the frame unit, and at least one actuator element (154) which is coupled to the screen loading member and actuatable to move the screen loading member between the screen-receiving and loaded positions.