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The government will announce measures to help the French face the rise in fuel prices by the end of the week. All possibilities are on the table, said Gabriel Attal this morning, who wishes to apply a check or reduction in taxes. Attal wants the most impacted French people to receive aid in the face of rising prices, which is likely to last several months.

A bill that is also impacting house owners. In ten years, the property tax has increased by 27.9% according to the National Union of Homeowners. Between 2010 and 2020, Nantes experienced the greatest increase at an increase of 37.51%. Other cities such as Angers, Lille, Lyon, and Toulouse are also particularly hard hit by this local tax.

Michel Barnier, Xavier Bertrand, Valérie Pécresse, Philippe Juvin, Eric Ciotti, and Denis Payre are going to drink coffee together. Republican boss Christian Jacob invited them to a breakfast at the party headquarters this morning. The objective is to display a semblance of unity before the vote on December 4th.

Tense debates from today, when deputies will examine the new bill of "health vigilance", which in particular proposes to extend the use of the health pass until July 31st 2022. More than 380 amendments were tabled for this first reading. The oppositions also plan to seize the Constitutional Council if the bill does not evolve over the parliamentary shuttle. It should last until early November.

In the United States, Biden's government has asked the Supreme Court to block the very restrictive law on abortion in Texas. Entered into force on September 1st, the text prohibits abortion after six weeks of pregnancy, a stage at which most women do not yet know that they are pregnant. It does not provide for exceptions in cases of incest or rape.

And finally, are French people living close to vineyards exposed to pesticides? The National Agency for Sanitary Security and Public Health France are launching Operation Pestiriv in six wine regions on Tuesday. 1,500 adults and 750 children selected at random will be subjected to urine and hair samples. The results are expected in 2024.