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The pension reform is at the heart of a meeting at Matignon. Elisabeth Borne is currently meeting several of her ministers to discuss the text which will be officially unveiled on December 15. The retirement age should go from 62 to 65 years old as confirmed by the Prime Minister in an interview with the newspaper *Le Parisien*. The first generation affected by the reform will be those born in 1961.

A much-criticized project was adopted today in the National Assembly: The anti-squat bill. The text was supported by the majority groups and received the support of *les Republicains* and the *Rassemblement National*. It toughens penalties against squatters and also speeds up procedures in the event of unpaid rent. The next step now is the submission of the bill to the Senate.

And good news for students: the government will extend aid to companies for apprenticeship contracts next year. The system will nevertheless undergo a slight modification - the hiring bonus for an apprentice minor or adult will now be set at 6,000 euros. The amount was until now slightly higher.

The police custody has been extended for a mother from Bédoin in the Vaucluse. The bodies of 2 babies were found yesterday in her freezer. So far, no family link could be established between the infants and the main suspect. It is also impossible to specify the age or sex of the victims. Their autopsy will take place on Monday. In the meantime, a preliminary investigation has been opened for the homicide of minors under 15.

In the United States, 263,000 jobs were created in November. The labor market is in good shape across the Atlantic with an unemployment rate still below 4%, and this despite the measures taken to slow down economic activity in order to limit inflation.