

French Government Narrowly Survives No-Confidence Vote over Labor Reforms



Paris, May 13 (RHC)-- In France, more than 50,000 people took to the streets on Thursday, blockading roads and barricading schools, as the French government narrowly survived a vote of no-confidence in the National Assembly over President François Hollande's controversial labor reforms.

Opponents of the bill were about 40 votes shy of the 288 necessary to defeat the reforms. The controversial labor reforms were forced through several days ago using a little-used power. The proposals have sparked massive protests by students and unions across France.

The movement against the reforms has been dubbed "Nuit debout," or "Rise up at night."

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