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Women's Rights Quiz Available on Website International Women's Week begins March 2, 2003

When did amendments to the Canadian Labour Code eliminate pregnancy as a basis for lay-off or dismissal? Find the answer to this and other questions regarding women and their rights on the Manitoba Human Rights Commission's Website.

The Manitoba Human Rights Commission will add the Women's Rights Quiz to its website in recognition of International Women's Week, which begins on March 2, 2003. International Women's Day is March 8, 2003. The quiz covers such topics as women's firsts, providing a harassment free workplace, the right to purchase property, and when it became legal to disseminate birth control. Do you know what happened to women who married non-Canadians prior to 1947? When did the Supreme Court of Canada rule that employers were liable for the harassing behaviour of their employees? The quiz and the answers will be available beginning March 3, 2003.

The Commission will also be present at the legislature on March 7, 2003 between 11:45 and 1:30 to celebrate International Women's Day. It is one of the many participants who will be providing women with information on such topics as rights, health, education and emerging issues. The Women's Rights Quiz will be available in print, and in French and English, to those attending.

The Women's Rights Quiz joins "Code Rights", a quiz designed specifically for students. In this quiz, students can find out about discrimination based on such grounds as sexual orientation, source of income and age. They can also get some practical advice on sexual harassment. Can a school insist on a dress code? Can someone under eighteen file a complaint with the Manitoba Human Rights Commission? The answers can be found in the Code Rights quiz.

To find either quiz, visit www.gov.mb.ca/hrc and click on MHRC TV.

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