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The Arbitrator determined that the Agency violated the parties' collective-bargaining agreement and law when it failed to provide hazard-pay differential for bargaining-unit employees due to ambient exposure to COVID-19 in the correctional facility, and awarded backpay. The Agency filed exceptions to the backpay remedy on contrary-to-law grounds. The Authority found the backpay remedy was contrary to law, and set aside that portion of the award. Because the Authority left the Arbitrator's contractual-violation finding undisturbed but set aside the only remedy, the Authority remanded the matter to the parties for resubmission to the Arbitrator, absent settlement, for an appropriate remedy, if any.

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