The Arbitrator found that the Agency committed an unfair labor practice by failing to bargain over implementation of an alleged change to non-custody employees’ attire and violated the parties’ collective-bargaining agreement by failing to provide them with a uniform allowance. The Agency filed exceptions on contrary-to-law and essence grounds. Because the Agency had not made a change that would trigger a bargaining obligation, and the Agency was not obligated to pay a uniform allowance under the parties’ agreement, the Authority granted these exceptions and set aside the affected portions of the award.

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