IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS

STEPHANIE J ERICKSON

Claimant

APPEAL NO. 22A-UI-00190-AD-T

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DECISION

IOWA WORKFORCE
DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

OC: 03/22/20

Claimant: Appellant (1)

Iowa Code § 96.3(7) - Recovery of Benefit Overpayment

STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

On November 19, 2021, Stephanie Erickson (claimant/appellant) appealed the decision dated November 12, 2021 (reference 04) that concluded the claimant was overpaid unemployment insurance benefits in the amount of \$692.00 for the six-week period between August 2 and September 12, 2020 as a result of a disgualification decision.

A telephone hearing was held on January 24, 2022, pursuant to due notice. Claimant participated personally. The administrative law judge took official notice of the administrative record.

ISSUE:

Was the claimant overpaid regular, state unemployment insurance benefits?

FINDINGS OF FACT:

Having reviewed all of the evidence in the record, the administrative law judge finds:

The administrative record shows claimant received regular, state unemployment insurance benefits in the gross amount of \$692.00 from the benefit week ending August 8, 2020 through the benefit week ending September 12, 2020.

Claimant was subsequently determined to be disqualified from benefits based on an August 5, 2020 separation from employment in a decision dated May 17, 2021. That decision remains in force. See 21A-UI-13965-JC-T; 21B-UI-13965; 22A-UI-00189-AD-T.

REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

For the reasons set forth below, the decision dated November 12, 2021 (reference 04) that concluded the claimant was overpaid unemployment insurance benefits in the amount of \$692.00 for the six-week period between August 2 and September 12, 2020 as a result of a disqualification decision is AFFIRMED.

Iowa Code section 96.3(7) provides, in pertinent part:

- 7. Recovery of overpayment of benefits.
- a. If an individual receives benefits for which the individual is subsequently determined to be ineligible, even though the individual acts in good faith and is not otherwise at fault, the benefits shall be recovered. The department in its discretion may recover the overpayment of benefits either by having a sum equal to the overpayment deducted from any future benefits payable to the individual or by having the individual pay to the department a sum equal to the overpayment.
- b. (1) (a) If the department determines that an overpayment has been made, the charge for the overpayment against the employer's account shall be removed and the account shall be credited with an amount equal to the overpayment from the unemployment compensation trust fund and this credit shall include both contributory and reimbursable employers, notwithstanding section 96.8, subsection 5.

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Because claimant received unemployment insurance benefits in the amount of \$692.00 for which she was later found to be disqualified she has been overpaid in that amount.

DECISION:

The decision dated November 12, 2021 (reference 04) that concluded the claimant was overpaid unemployment insurance benefits in the amount of \$692.00 for the six-week period between August 2 and September 12, 2020 as a result of a disqualification decision is AFFIRMED.

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February 11, 2022

Decision Dated and Mailed

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Note to Claimant:

If you disagree with this decision, you may file an appeal to the Employment Appeal Board by following the instructions on the first page of this decision.

If this decision determines you have been overpaid federal pandemic-related benefits you may request a waiver of the overpayment. Instructions for requesting a waiver can be found at https://www.iowaworkforcedevelopment.gov/unemployment-insurance-overpayment-and-recovery. If this decision becomes final and you are not eligible for a waiver, you will have to repay the benefits you received.