

**IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS BUREAU**

LORNA J BLACKBURN
Claimant

APPEAL 19A-UI-01885-SC-T
**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE
DECISION**

**IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT**

OC: 12/02/18
Claimant: Appellant (1)

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

STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

Lorna J. Blackburn (claimant) appealed an unemployment insurance decision dated February 28, 2019, reference 03, that concluded she was overpaid \$588.00 in unemployment insurance benefits. A telephone hearing was scheduled for March 11, 2019 to address appeal 19A-UI-01609-SC-T. During the hearing, the claimant waived notice on the overpayment issue and the hearings for the appeals were consolidated. The claimant participated in the hearing. Based on the evidence, the arguments of the claimant, and the law, the following findings of fact, reasoning and conclusions of law, and decision are entered.

ISSUE:

Has the claimant been overpaid benefits?

FINDINGS OF FACT:

The claimant filed a new claim for unemployment insurance benefits with an effective date of December 2, 2019. The claimant filed for and received a total of \$588.00 in unemployment insurance benefits for the two weeks between January 27, 2019 and February 9, 2019.

The unemployment insurance decision that disqualified the claimant from receiving unemployment insurance benefits has been affirmed in a decision of the administrative law judge in appeal 19A-UI-01609-SC-T.

REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

For the reasons that follow, the administrative law judge concludes the claimant was overpaid unemployment insurance benefits which must be repaid.

Iowa Code § 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.

Since the decision disqualifying the claimant has been affirmed, the claimant was overpaid \$588.00 in unemployment insurance benefits.

DECISION:

The unemployment insurance decision dated February 28, 2019, reference 03, is affirmed. The claimant was overpaid \$588.00 in unemployment insurance benefits, which must be repaid.

Stephanie R. Callahan
Administrative Law Judge

Decision Dated and Mailed

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