IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS BUREAU

CHRISTOPHER J WILSON Claimant	APPEAL 18A-UI-01205-JP-T ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DECISION
IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT	OC: 12/17/17
DEPARTMENT	Claimant: Appellant (1R)

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

STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

The claimant filed an appeal from the January 25, 2018, (reference 03), unemployment insurance decision that concluded the claimant was overpaid unemployment insurance benefits in the amount of \$645.00 for the three-week period ending January 13, 2018, as a result of a disqualification decision. After due notice was issued, a telephone hearing was scheduled and held on February 19, 2018, pursuant to due notice. Claimant participated. Official notice was taken of the administrative record with no objection.

ISSUE:

Is the claimant overpaid benefits?

FINDINGS OF FACT:

Having reviewed all of the evidence in the record, the administrative law judge finds: The overpayment issue in this case was created by the disqualification decision that has been affirmed in appeal number 18A-UI-01204-JP-T. Claimant received benefits in the gross amount of \$645.00 for the three-week period ending January 13, 2018.

The administrative record reflects claimant may have worked in and been paid wages for insured work equal to ten times his weekly benefit amount since his separation from the employer (RHT TECHNOLOGIES, LLC).

REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

The administrative law judge concludes claimant has been overpaid benefits for the period in question.

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.

The administrative law judge concludes that claimant has been overpaid unemployment insurance benefits in the amount of \$645.00 pursuant to Iowa Code § 96.3(7) as the disqualification decision that created the overpayment decision has been affirmed in appeal number 18A-UI-01204-JP-T.

DECISION:

The January 25, 2018, (reference 03) unemployment insurance decision is affirmed. Claimant has been overpaid unemployment insurance benefits in the gross amount of \$645.00 to which he was not entitled and those benefits must be recovered in accordance with Iowa law.

REMAND: The issue of whether claimant has worked in and been paid wages for insured work equal to ten times his weekly benefit amount since his separation from the employer (RHT TECHNOLOGIES, LLC) as delineated in the findings of fact is remanded to the Benefits Bureau of Iowa Workforce Development for a fact-finding interview and unemployment insurance decision.

Jeremy Peterson Administrative Law Judge

Decision Dated and Mailed

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