## IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS

SHANE D JENKINS Claimant

# APPEAL NO. 22A-UI-01071-AD-T

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DECISION

#### IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

OC: 04/05/20 Claimant: Appellant (1)

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

## STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

On November 15, 2021, Shane Jenkins (claimant/appellant) appealed the decision dated November 3, 2021 (reference 04) that concluded the claimant was overpaid unemployment insurance benefits in the amount of \$173.00 for the four-week period between April 5 and May 2, 2020, as a result of a decision denying benefits.

A telephone hearing was held on February 3, 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 (UI)?

### FINDINGS OF FACT:

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

The administrative record shows claimant received UI in the total amount of \$173.00 from the benefit week ending April 11, 2020 through the benefit week ending May 2, 2020.

Claimant was subsequently determined to be ineligible for benefits during that period in a decision dated January 12, 2021. That decision has now been affirmed. See 22A-UI-01069-AD-T.

### **REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:**

For the reasons set forth below, the decision dated November 3, 2021 (reference 04) that concluded the claimant was overpaid unemployment insurance benefits in the amount of \$173.00 for the four-week period between April 5 and May 2, 2020, as a result of a decision denying benefits 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 UI in the amount of \$173.00 during a period he was ineligible for benefits he has been overpaid in that amount.

## **DECISION:**

The decision dated November 3, 2021 (reference 04) that concluded the claimant was overpaid unemployment insurance benefits in the amount of \$173.00 for the four-week period between April 5 and May 2, 2020, as a result of a decision denying benefits is AFFIRMED.

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February 22, 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.

Individuals who do not qualify for regular unemployment insurance benefits and were unemployed between February 2, 2020, and June 12, 2021 for reasons related to COVID-19 may qualify for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA). You will need to apply for PUA to determine your eligibility under the program. To apply for PUA go to https://www.iowaworkforcedevelopment.gov/unemployment-insurance-appeals and click the link in the last paragraph under "WHAT TO EXPECT FROM THE HEARING." The authorization number is the pin number you used for the hearing.

If this decision becomes final and you are not eligible for PUA, you may have an overpayment of benefits.