

**IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS BUREAU**

IVANNA DE COSS MORALES
Claimant

APPEAL 21A-UI-18231-AW-T
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE
DECISION

**IOWA WORKFORCE
DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**

OC: 03/07/21
Claimant: Appellant (1)

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

STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

Claimant filed an appeal from the August 10, 2021 (reference 03) unemployment insurance decision that found claimant was overpaid regular unemployment insurance (UI) benefits. Claimant was properly notified of the hearing. A telephone hearing was held on October 12, 2021, at 10:30 a.m. Claimant participated. No exhibits were admitted. Official notice was taken of the administrative record.

ISSUE:

Whether claimant is overpaid UI benefits.

FINDINGS OF FACT:

Having reviewed all of the evidence in the record, the administrative law judge finds: Claimant filed for and has received UI benefits in the gross amount of \$2,236.00 for the four-week period between March 7, 2021 and April 3, 2021.

On April 26, 2021, Iowa Workforce Development (IWD) issued a decision (reference 01) that denied claimant UI benefits effective March 7, 2021. Claimant appealed the decision. On July 21, 2021, an Administrative Law Judge modified the decision to deny benefits from March 7, 2021 to April 3, 2021 and allow benefits effective April 4, 2021 (see appeal 21A-UI-11904-AW-T).

REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

For the reasons that follow, the administrative law judge concludes:

Iowa Code section 96.3(7) states:

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.

The decision that denied claimant UI benefits remains in effect. Therefore, claimant has received UI benefits to which claimant was not entitled. The administrative law judge concludes that claimant has been overpaid UI benefits in the amount outlined in the findings of fact above. Those benefits must be recovered in accordance with Iowa law.

DECISION:

The August 10, 2021 (reference 03) unemployment insurance decision is affirmed. Claimant has been overpaid UI benefits in the amount of \$2,236.00, which must be repaid.



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