IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS BUREAU

RUBEN E LAFEBRE

Claimant

APPEAL 20A-UI-02258-CL-T

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DECISION

IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

OC: 08/18/19

Claimant: Appellant (1)

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

STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

The claimant appealed the March 12, 2020, (reference 05) unemployment insurance decision that concluded the claimant was overpaid unemployment insurance benefits in the amount of \$666.00 for the two-week period ending February 22, 2020, as a result of a decision disqualifying claimant from receiving benefits. A telephone hearing was scheduled and held on April 27, 2020, pursuant to due notice. The claimant participated.

ISSUE:

Is the claimant overpaid benefits?

FINDINGS OF FACT:

Having reviewed all of the evidence in the record, the administrative law judge finds: Claimant received unemployment insurance benefits in the amount of \$666.00 for the two weeks ending February 22, 2020. On March 3, 2020, Iowa Workforce Development issued a reference 04 decision disqualifying claimant from receiving benefits effective February 7, 2020. That decision was affirmed in Appeal Number 20A-UI-02257-CL-T.

REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

The administrative law judge concludes claimant has been overpaid benefits.

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.

b. (1) 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 § 96.8, subsection 5. . . .

The administrative law judge concludes that the claimant has been overpaid unemployment insurance benefits in the amount of \$666.00 pursuant to Iowa Code § 96.3(7) as claimant was not eligible for benefits during the two weeks ending February 22, 2020.

DECISION:

The March 12, 2020, (reference 05) unemployment insurance decision is affirmed. The claimant has been overpaid unemployment insurance benefits in the amount of \$666.00.

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April 28, 2020_

Decision Dated and Mailed

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