# IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS BUREAU

JARED L BROWN Claimant **APPEAL 17A-UI-08597-DL-T** 

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DECISION

IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

OC: 07/09/17

Claimant: Appellant (1)

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

#### STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

The claimant appealed the August 21, 2017, (reference 06), unemployment insurance decision that concluded the claimant was overpaid unemployment insurance benefits in the amount of \$206.00 for the one-week period ending August 12, 2017, as a result of a reference 05 disqualification decision related to his refusal of work or recall to work with ERP Performance Corp. A telephone hearing was held on September 8, 2017, pursuant to due notice. The claimant participated.

# **ISSUE:**

Has the claimant been overpaid unemployment insurance benefits for the period in question?

### **FINDINGS OF FACT:**

Having reviewed all of the evidence in the record, the administrative law judge finds: Claimant received unemployment insurance benefits in the gross amount of \$206.00 for the one weekending August 12, 2017. The overpayment issue in this case was created by a disqualification decision that has become final. See 17A-UI-08596-B2-T, related to the appeal hearing set for the reference 05 decision on September 8, 2017, at 11:00 a.m. The claimant did not register for that hearing because he thought it was a bit "too early."

## **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 the claimant has been overpaid unemployment insurance benefits in the amount of \$206.00 pursuant to lowa Code section 96.3(7) as the disqualification decision that created the overpayment decision has become final.

#### **DECISION:**

The August 21, 2017, (reference 06) unemployment insurance decision is affirmed. The claimant has been overpaid unemployment insurance benefits in the gross amount of \$206.00 to which he was not entitled. Those benefits must be recovered in accordance with lowa law.

| Dévon M. Lewis<br>Administrative Law Judge |  |
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