# IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS BUREAU

**KAY M HESS** 

Claimant

**APPEAL 18A-UI-07640-CL-T** 

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DECISION

IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

OC: 04/15/18

Claimant: Appellant (2)

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

### STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

The claimant appealed the July 12, 2018, (reference 06), unemployment insurance decision that concluded the claimant was overpaid unemployment insurance benefits in the amount of \$261.00 for the one-week period ending June 23, 2018, as a result of an unemployment insurance decision finding claimant ineligible for benefits. A telephone hearing was scheduled and held on August 14, 2018, 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: The overpayment issue in this case was created by a decision finding claimant ineligible for benefits during the one week ending June 23, 2018, based on an inadequate work search. That decision was reversed in Appeal Number 18A-UI-07639-CL-T

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

The administrative law judge concludes claimant has not 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 not been overpaid unemployment insurance benefits in the amount of \$261.00, pursuant to Iowa Code § 96.3(7), as the decision that created the overpayment decision has been reversed.

#### **DECISION:**

The July 12, 2018, (reference 06), unemployment insurance decision is reversed. The claimant has not been overpaid unemployment insurance benefits in the amount of \$261.00.

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