

**IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS BUREAU**

WALTER S LAWRENCE
Claimant

APPEAL 15A-UI-12615-CL-T
**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE
DECISION**

**IOWA WORKFORCE
DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**

OC: 10/11/15
Claimant: Appellant (2)

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

STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

The claimant filed an appeal from the November 17, 2015, (reference 02), unemployment insurance decision that found claimant was overpaid benefits in the amount of \$1494.00 for the three-week period ending October 31, 2015, as a result of a disqualification decision. After due notice was issued, a telephone conference hearing was scheduled to be held on December 3, 2015. Claimant participated.

ISSUE:

Has the claimant been overpaid unemployment insurance 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 the disqualification decision that has been reversed.

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 \$1494.00 pursuant to Iowa Code § 96.3(7) as the disqualification decision that created the overpayment decision has been reversed.

DECISION:

The November 17, 2015, (reference 02) unemployment insurance decision is reversed. The claimant has not been overpaid unemployment insurance benefits in the amount of \$1494.00.

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