# IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS BUREAU

MURAD S SALIH Claimant	APPEAL 18A-UI-06174-CL-T
	ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DECISION
IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT	
	OC: 04/22/18 Claimant: Appellant (2)

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

# STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

The claimant appealed the May 25, 2018, (reference 03) unemployment insurance decision that concluded the claimant was overpaid unemployment insurance benefits in the amount of \$1,820.00 for the four-week period ending May 19, 2018, as a result of a disqualification decision. A telephone hearing was scheduled and held on June 21, 2018, pursuant to due notice. The claimant provided the information necessary to make a decision without taking further testimony. Therefore, no hearing was held.

### **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 the disqualification decision that has been modified in favor of claimant.

Claimant received benefits in the amount of \$1,820.00 for the four weeks ending May 19, 2018. On May 24, 2018, a reference 02 decision was issued disqualifying claimant from receiving unemployment insurance benefits. That decision was modified in favor of claimant in Appeal Number 18A-UI-06173-CL-T and benefits are now allowed.

### **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 \$1,820.00, pursuant to Iowa Code § 96.3(7), as the disqualification decision that created the overpayment decision has been modified in favor of claimant.

# **DECISION:**

The May 25, 2018, (reference 03) unemployment insurance decision is reversed. The claimant has not been overpaid unemployment insurance benefits in the amount of \$1,820.00.

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Decision Dated and Mailed

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