### IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS BUREAU

MURRAY L HETH Claimant

# APPEAL 22A-UI-04491-JD-T

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DECISION

#### IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

OC: 01/02/22 Claimant: Appellant (2)

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

## STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

On January 13, 2022, the claimant Murray Heth appealed the March 9, 2022 (reference 02) unemployment insurance decision that concluded the claimant was overpaid unemployment insurance benefits in the amount of \$1,102.00 for the two-week period between January 9, 2022 and January 29, 2022, as a result of a disqualification decision. A telephone hearing was scheduled and held on March 23, 2022, pursuant to due notice. The claimant, Murray Heth, participated. The administrative law judge took official notice of the administrative record.

### **ISSUE:**

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

### FINDINGS OF FACT:

Having reviewed 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. See 22A-UI-04490-JD-T.

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

The administrative law judge concludes claimant has not been overpaid benefits for the period in question.

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) (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 not been overpaid unemployment insurance benefits in the amount of \$1,102.00 pursuant to Iowa Code § 96.3(7) as the disqualification decision that created the overpayment decision has been reversed.

## **DECISION**:

The March 9, 2022 (reference 02) unemployment insurance decision is reversed. The claimant has not been overpaid unemployment insurance benefits in the amount of \$1,102.00.

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March 31, 2022

Decision Dated and Mailed

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