# IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS

JOSE L JIMENEZ
Claimant

APPEAL NO. 21A-UI-10334-LJ-T

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DECISION

IOWA WORKFORCE
DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

OC: 08/30/20

Claimant: Appellant (1)

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

### **STATEMENT OF THE CASE:**

On April 12, 2021, the claimant Jose L. Jimenez appealed the April 2, 2021, (reference 03) decision that concluded the claimant was overpaid regular unemployment insurance benefits in the amount of \$986.00 for the two-week period ending March 27, 2021, as a result of a disqualification decision. A telephone hearing was held at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, June 28, 2021, pursuant to due notice and was consolidated with the hearing for 21A-UI-10333-LJ-T and 21A-UI-10335-LJ-T. The claimant, Jose L. Jimenez, participated. No exhibits were offered or admitted. The administrative law judge took official notice of the administrative record.

#### 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 disqualification decision that has now been affirmed. (See 21A-UI-10333-LJ-T) Claimant did receive benefits in the gross amount of \$986.00.

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

The administrative law judge concludes claimant has 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 been overpaid unemployment insurance benefits in the amount of \$986.00 pursuant to lowa Code § 96.3(7) as the disqualification decision that created the overpayment decision has been affirmed.

#### **DECISION:**

The April 2, 2021, (reference 03) decision is affirmed. The claimant has been overpaid unemployment insurance benefits in the gross amount of \$986.00 to which they were not entitled and those benefits must be recovered in accordance with lowa law.

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**Decision Dated and Mailed** 

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