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Place, date 000000-0000

Final settlement of housing benefits for 2024 - Debt

After the final settlement for 2024, the result is that your housing benefits were overpaid by #amount# kr. On page two of this letter, you can see our calculations.

A claim for this amount has been sent to your online bank (bank no 0133).

**Debt payment plan:** The payment can be divided into up to 12 monthly installments, provided that each installment is at least ISK 10,000. You can set up a payment plan through "My pages" at <u>www.hms.is</u>, or by contacting HMS by phone 440-6400 or by email <u>hms@hms.is</u>.

**About the final settlement:** HMS has recalculated your housing benefits for the year 2024 in accordance with the tax assessment issued by the tax authorities, pursuant to Act No. 75/2016 on Housing Benefits. The recalculation is based on taxable income, including capital income and net assets, of all household members aged 18 and older, during the months in which you had an active housing benefit application.

**Further information:** You can find further information on the final settlement on <u>island.is/hms</u> under "Housing benefits" and then "Final settlement".

**Comments:** If you believe that the information used in the final settlement does not accurately reflect your income and assets for the year 2024, you may submit your comments by email to <u>hms@hms.is</u> within 10 days from the date of this letter. Otherwise, the existing information will be considered final.

Under Article 6 of the Housing Benefit Act, an appeal may be lodged with the Welfare Appeals Committee against the above decision. Appeals must be lodged within three months of the date of announcement of this decision and shall be addressed to the Welfare Appeals Committee (Úrskurðarnefnd velferðarmála), Katrínartún 2, 150 Reykjavík. Further information on appeals may be found on the committee's website <u>www.urvel.is</u>.

Sincerely,

on behalf of the Housing and Construction Authority

<sup>1</sup> Decisions by the Housing and Construction Authority (HMS) regarding the recovery of overpaid housing benefits are enforceable without prior court proceedings, pursuant to Article 26, Paragraph 4 of Act No. 75/2016.

 $^{2}$  According to Articles 10 and 13 of the Administrative Procedures Act no. 37/1993 an applicant is allowed to express his views before a decision is made and HMS must ensure that a case has been sufficiently presented before a final decision is made.

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