

**499B.3 Recording of declaration to submit property to regime.**

1. When the sole owner or all of the owners, or the sole lessee or all of the lessees of a lease desire to submit a parcel of real property upon which a building is located or to be constructed to the horizontal property regime established by [this chapter](#), a declaration to that effect shall be executed and acknowledged by the sole owner or lessee or all of such owners or lessees and shall be recorded in the office of the county recorder of the county in which such property lies. The county recorder shall collect recording fees pursuant to [section 331.604](#).

2. If the declaration is to convert an existing structure, the declarant shall file the declaration of the horizontal property regime with the city in which the regime is located or with the county if not located within a city at least sixty days before being recorded in the office of the county recorder to enable the city or county, as applicable, to establish that the converted structure meets appropriate building code requirements as provided in [section 499B.20](#). However, if the city or county, as applicable, does not have a building code, the declarant shall file the declaration with the state building code commissioner instead of the applicable city or county at least sixty days before the recording of the declaration to enable the commissioner to establish that the converted structure meets the state building code, as adopted pursuant to [section 103A.7](#).

3. A declaration under [this section](#) for a horizontal property regime proposed to be located within an area of review established by a city under [section 354.9](#) shall, in addition to being submitted to the county, be submitted to the city for review and approval.

[C66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §499B.3]

[2000 Acts, ch 1142, §1, 5; 2004 Acts, ch 1086, §81; 2009 Acts, ch 27, §28; 2010 Acts, ch 1051, §2](#)

Referred to in [§499B.4, 499B.12](#)