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Kun Juei Lin, Li-Chu Lin's brother, speaks with interpreter Grace Lin to his left, during the sentencing of Arthur Scott on July 11 for aggravated murder and other charges. Scott did not know Li-Chu Lin when he killed her on April 26, 2024. He went into her room at the extended stay hotel she and her husband operated and brutally killed her.

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'This has caused so much pain and stress'

'Horrific' murder of immigrant woman leads to life sentence for Ohio man

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A Franklin County judge sentenced a man to life in prison for sexually assaulting and strangling a woman he had never met at the extended stay hotel she owned with her family.

But first, Arthur Scott, 37, heard from the family of his victim, Li-Chu Lin, during a July 11 sentencing hearing before county Common Pleas Judge Kim Brown.

More than 20 relatives and friends of the 61-year-old Lin, who came to the United States in search of a better life, crowded the courtroom to face the man who killed her.

Lin's brother, Kun Juei Lin, who spoke through a translator, told Brown he was in Taiwan when he learned Scott had killed his sister.

"He came over to help his sister, and he could not believe that his sister lost his life in such a tragic way," Grace Lin said on his behalf. "He begs the judge to give the most severe sentence to prison to the one who committed the crime so his sister can rest in peace."

Lin and her husband, Alex Huang, moved to Columbus from Cleveland



several years ago, according to Grace Lin, a family friend. She said the death of her friend shattered the reality of the Taiwanese community's American dream.

"We work hard as immigrants, we

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In April, Arthur Scott pleaded guilty to aggravated murder, rape and kidnapping in connection with the death of 61-year-old Li-Chu Lin. The charges carry a mandatory sentence of life in prison without the ability for parole. COURTNEY HERGESHEIMER/COLUMBUS DISPATCH

House to vote on veto override

Could give panel power to lower property taxes

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A county government panel could get greater authority to lower your property taxes by reducing the amount collected by schools, libraries and other entities if state lawmakers proceed with a plan to override Ohio Gov. Mike DeWine's veto.

On July 1, DeWine line-item vetoed state budget provisions that would give authority to a county's three-member budget commission to reduce millage collected by taxing authorities like schools and libraries. The Ohio House plans to return July 21 to vote on an override of DeWine's veto on that change and others, and the Ohio Senate could be close behind.

In his veto message, DeWine said

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ANALYSIS

Trump-Putin bromance flowered, soured

U.S. president appears to be shifting his thinking

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USA TODAY

President Donald Trump said he would end the war in Ukraine within his first 24 hours in office.

But now, more than 4,000 hours in, Trump's patience with Russian President Vladimir Putin, whom the U.S. president in June called "very kind," appears to be wearing thin.

Relations have hit a wall as Russia's leader has pushed forward with intensifying drone and missile attacks on Ukrainian cities while appearing to repeatedly rebuff Trump's attempts to broker a

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